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Field Day For Allied Pilots

Air Battles In Western Desert

Seven Enemy Planes Shot Down: Many More Damaged: Axis Ship Blown Up Off Tobruk

LONDON, October 26.

Reuter's special correspondent with the Eighth Army in a cable from the Western Desert received this afternoon said: "The British Empire and Allied Infantry divisions are fighting hard in all their battle areas. British and Empire infantry are reported to be making progress towards certain objectives and the number of Axis casualties and prisoners is rising.

SCATTERED TANK BATTLES

The correspondent adds:

Several scattered tank battles are going on westward of the El Alamein line. When daylight gave Rommel a clearer picture of General Montgomery's fullmoon offensive, he threw out his familiar screen of anti-tank weapons to trap some of the Eighth Army's heavy armour wending its way through the gap in his minefields.

But the British formation emerged soon enough to avoid dislocation and with rapid support from our own anti-tank and medium field artillery gave a good account of itself.

General Rommel's decision for the present at least is to stand in support of his fixed forward positions with some armoured formations.

Seven Axis Fighters Destroyed

CAIRO: United States fighters shot down four of the seven Axis fighters destroyed over the battle area yesterday. United States bombers and fighter bombers scored direct hits on tanks and motor convoys.

Field Day For Allied Pilots

CAIRO: The joint war 'communique' to-day states: "Yesterday, fighting continued and there were a number of minor engagements in which armour was involved on both sides. The enemy was unable t dislodge our troops from the areas already gained. Up to 18-00 hours yesterday, 1,450 German and Italian prisoners had been taken. Large scale Allied air attacks continued over the battle area during Saturday night and yesterday. Throughout the day, the battle area was patrolled by our fighters. There was an increase in enemy air activity but our pilots had a successful day shooting down at least seven enemy aircraft and damaging many more over the battle area.

ENEMY SHIP BLOWN UP

In a bomber attack yesterday on an enemy merchant vessel off Tobruk, the ship blew up and entirely disappeared. Our long range fighters which had been engaged in the operation shot down two Junker's 88 and a Dornier 24 and a Cr. 42 In addition, four Junkers 52's were destroyed and others damaged when our long range fighters also attacked a large enemy formation.

Air attacks on Malta continued. Our fighters shot down an enemy fighter and ground fire destroyed two more. Three of our aircraft failed to return yesterday."

Earlier:

HEAVY FIGHTING IN PROGRESS

CAIRO, Oct. 26.

Heavy fighting is continuing and a number of prisoners have been taken, says a field dispatch late Sunday night.

Reuter's special correspondent writes: "The Eighth Army as it is, is up against a very tough proposition. Axis minefields, strongpoints and pockets are capable of stubborn defence all along the 40-mile front from the sea to the Qattara Depression.

Even though the struggle is taking place almost at Egypt's front door, news of the progress of the great desert battle is very scanty.

The fact that enemy's main position has been penetrated at some points is an indication of the impetus behind General Montgomery's thrusts.

Nevertheless, the Germans and the Italians have dug themselves

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WORST RAID OF WAR

Midland Town Bombed: South-West Coast Town Streets Gunned

LONDON, Oct. 26.

A Midland town bombed by German aircraft on Saturday night had its worst raid of the war. The number of casualties includes four children. Several houses were practically demolished and much damage was caused by blast. One firm's premises was hit for the third time. Soldiers and Homeguard helped the rescue parties search for missing and W. A. F. S. gallantly freed the injured from the debris.

STREETS GUNNED

Two Homeguards were among the killed in a south-west coast town where raiders gunned the streets in a daylight raid on Sunday and a wing of a Convalescent Home was demolished.

BURIED UNDER DEBRIS OF HOTEL

Four other raiders who dipped out of the early morning haze on Sunday hit a former hotel in a small south-east coast town where a number of people were killed and some buried under debris.

ALERT IN LONDON

Two enemy bombers have been shot down to-day over Britain, one by R. A. F. fighters and one by anti-aircraft fire.

Distant gunfire was heard in one London district this morning when an air raid alert was sounded in London just before midday. The "raiders passed" was sounded later.

BEGINNING OF GREAT CAMPAIGN

A writer in to-day's "New York Times" says: "The day and night raids on the industrial towns of Italy, extraordinary both as feats of British airpower and as demonstrations of the powerlessness of the Axis to hit back, suggest that this is the beginning of a great campaign".

SECOND ALERT IN LONDON

A second raid alert was sounded in London area some hours later and was again brief.

KASTURBA GANDHI DOING WELL

It is officially stated by the Government of Bombay that there is no truth in the rumour circulating in some quarters that Mrs. Gandhi is dead.

The improvement in Mrs. Gandhi's health has been maintained and she is now well.

Daylight Raids On England

Several areas in southern England were attacked in daylight today when German raiders crossed the coast under cover of low cloud and anti-aircraft guns were in action for some hours. Two raiders are known to have been destroyed. Eight people were killed. Several people were seriously injured. A twin-engined Heinkel, which dived low over a south coast town with its guns blazing, was met by fierce anti-aircraft fire with shoppers in the street saw shells burst around it and smoke pour from one engine as it quickly took cover in the clouds.—Reuter.

The C-in-C General Alexander recently inspected Indian troops at an Indian Reinforcement Camp. Here he is seen talking to three Indian soldiers who recently escaped from a Nazi prisoner of war camp in Libya.

American Planes Raid Hongkong And Kowloon

Power-Station Destroyed: Jap Warship Sunk: Ferry-Boat Blown Up

CHUNGKING, Oct. 26.

It is learned that thirteen Japanese aircraft were destroyed and nine probably destroyed in the raid on Hongkong, making the biggest single day's operation in China.

Among the objectives was a petroleum tank, which was set on fire while one vessel, believed to be a destroyer, was sunk. A ferry-boat, moored alongside the wharf, blew up.

It is also revealed that Col. Scott, who led the raid shot down two Japanese planes.

Power-Station Destroyed

Gen. Stillwell's Communique on to-day's raid on Hongkong said: "Early this morning bombers attacked the North-point Power-Station at Hongkong. All bombs landed in the target area and the power-station was destroyed.

"Later in the morning the Whitecloud aerodrome north-east of Canton was successfully raided and many fires were started. The Japanese unsuccessfully attempted to intercept this bomber formation.

"From both missions all United States aircraft returned".

The North-point Power-Station which is two to three miles from Hongkong was the first building attacked by the Japanese when they landed last December. It serves as a temporary headquarters. It is the only power-station supplying Hongkong's needs. The machinery was not destroyed by the Japanese, when they captured it but the supply of current was cut off until the Colony surrendered.

The Japanese are trying to minimise the effect of yesterday's raids.

This was said to be the fourth raid on Hongkong since Japanese occupation.

15 JAP FIGHTERS DESTROYED

NEW YORK:— A Communique issued from Gen. Stilwell's Headquarters states: "Yesterday United States Army Air Force bombers escorted by fighters attacked docks and shipping in the Hongkong Kowloon area, dropping twenty tons of bombs. Docks, warehouses and shipping were hit and many fires started.

After the bombing, the American formation intercepted eighteen Japanese fighters, of which ten were destroyed and five probably destroyed. One American bomber and one fighter failed to return.

Yesterday six American fighters intercepted twenty Japanese fighters south of Mengtze in Southern Yunan, destroying three enemy fighters and probably destroying four more without loss to Americans".

No Mention Of Indian Prisoners In Hong Kong

LONDON, October 26.

Hong Kong prisoners of war are in good health and the hospitals are satisfactory, says a War Office announcement today following a report from the International Red Cross delegates who visited the camps and hospitals. The Delegates' report makes no mention of Indian prisoners of war. There were 6,557 prisoners in the camps of whom 1,577 were Canadians and 317 in hospitals.

On Pacific Front

ALLIED ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPPING

LONDON, October 26.

Allied Headquarters in South-west Pacific: A communique issued by General MacArthur's headquarters today states: "New Britain: Rabaul: in continued support of the general Solomons operations, a strong force of our heavy aircraft was again over the harbour during the night to attack shipping.

In the face of intense anti-aircraft searchlight opposition, 17 tons of bombs were dropped from a low level. A gunboat was seen to sink as the result of a direct hit and three medium merchant vessels of an estimated aggregate tonnage of 12,000 tons were left listing badly or on fire. All these ships are believed to have been destroyed and fuel barges near wharves hit resulting in a series of heavy explosions. Fires started were visible one hundred miles. All our planes returned. This brings the total tonnage by actual observation completely destroyed or badly damaged in this harbour during the past three nights to approximately 80,000 tons.

At least an additional 20,000 tons is believed to have received more or less serious damage.

NEW GUINEA (KOKODA): A formation of Allied attack planes made a bombing and strafing sweep along the trail north of Isurava. An area south of Wairopi was also bombed.

NEW IRELAND (KAVIENG): In a night attack by Allied medium units, direct hits were scored on enemy fuel dumps, starting huge fires visible 90 miles with smoke rising 4,000 feet into the air. Bombs were dropped on supply dumps, installations and dispersal ways. An enemy four-engined bomber was destroyed on the ground. All our planes returned.

DARWIN: Three enemy aircraft dropped bombs harmlessly near the beach during the night.

TIMOR: Allied medium units bombed an aerodrome at Koepang at night, starting large fires and dropping bombs among grounded aircraft."—Reuter.

MAHADEO DESAI

London Indians' Tribute

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, Oct. 26.

Indians in Britain met this afternoon under the auspices of the Hindu Association to pay homage to the memory of Mahadeo Desai, Swami Avyaktananda said it was the duty of Indians and Britons to assimilate properly and fully the best principles for which Mahadeo Desai lived and died.

Dr. Syud Mahamoodi and Moulav. Abdul Majid on behalf of the Mahomedan Community paid their humble homage.

Other speakers included, Mr. P. V. Subbarao, Chairman, Drs. P. C. Bhandari and K. M. Parikh.

Miss Agatha Harrison gave the message to the meeting that when the life of Mahadeo Desai came to be written which she hoped would be done soon they would learn his great services to India.

Hidayatullah's Assurance

KARACHI, Oct. 26.

Sir Ghulam Hussein and other Muslim Ministers in the Cabinet have given the Hindu Ministers a solemn assurance that they would not do anything affecting minority interests without consultation with Hindu colleagues. This was disclosed by Dr. Hemandas in the course of an interview this evening.—A. P.

HITLER'S NEW DECREE:

Mobilisation Of All Germans?

Soviet Troops Recapture Several Positions Along Black Sea Coast

MOSCOW, October, 26

According to a Soviet report from Stockholm, today, Hitler is about to decree the mobilisation of all Germans hitherto exempt from service including factory workers and railwaymen.

RUSSIANS RECAPTURE THREE HEIGHTS

Soviet marines, after a twelve-day battle have recaptured four populated points and three heights along the Black Sea coast south-east of Novorossisk in the western Caucasus.

The Germans lost 300 dead and 1,000 wounded. The Russians took rich booty.

Company Of Enemy Infantry Wiped Out

The Soviet communique today stated "during the night of October 25 our troops fought the enemy in the area of Stalingrad. No changes took place on other fronts."

The supplement to the Soviet communique today said "bitter fighting continued in the Stalingrad area. After the artillery preparation, the Germans launched an attack with infantry and tanks on a district where one factory is situated but after fierce fighting were expelled from the fringe of the factory where they had penetrated the day before.

North-west of Stalingrad, Soviet troops occupied enemy blockhouses and trenches, destroyed five tanks and wiped out a company of enemy infantry. Soviet scouts penetrated into enemy trenches and killed 70 Italian officers and men. Soviet units are mopping up the remnants of Germans on the fringe of the factory to which they had penetrated in Stalingrad."

KARACHI COTTON EXCHANGE OPENS

KARACHI, Oct. 26.

When the Cotton Exchange opened this morning after remaining closed for three days 20 to 25 women arrived at the premises and raised slogans.

They, however, retired after having a talk with one of the officials of the Exchange.—A. P.

"TEENAGE" BILL SHELVED

WASHINGTON, October 26.

Plans for the final passage of the Bill to draft eighteen and nineteen year-old youths into the United States' forces have been practically abandoned until after the elections owing to a large number of members of the House being away campaigning.

The elimination or modification of the amendment, requiring a year's training for eighteen and nineteen year-olds before combat duty, is indicated by leading Senate quarters.

Liquor Must Last Three Years

United States distillers have started a voluntary rationing programme to protect reserves of liquor.

The purpose of this move is to guard against shortage should the war last three more years.

Supplies to areas where demand has been recently excessive have been reduced "as with the buying power of the public increased tremendously consumption might jump by fifty to one hundred per cent," according to the Secretary of Maryland Distillers, Mr. Donald Hammond.—Reuter.

Hindu University Reopens

BENARES, October 26.

After remaining closed for nearly two months and a half, the Benares Hindu University reopened today, according to the decision of the Council and Syndicate. The M.A., M.Sc., Final and previous and Acharya classes started working today and the attendance was good By November 11 all the colleges in the University will commence work.—A. P.

ALLIED FORCES ORDINANCE

Immunity For U. S. Troops In Indian Criminal Courts

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26.

A Gazette of India Extraordinary publishes the United States of America (Visiting Forces) Act, which gives effect to an agreement recorded in notes exchanged between His Majesty's Government and the Government of the United States of America, relating to jurisdiction over members of the military and naval forces of the United States dated August 6

U. S. AND CHINESE SPECIAL COURTS

Under an ordinance known as the Allied Forces Ordinance and a Notification issued thereunder naval, military and air force courts and the authorities of the United States and China are empowered to exercise in British India in relation to members of these forces in matters concerning their discipline and internal administration all such powers as conferred on these courts by law of the respective countries.

IMMUNITY FROM CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

A further Ordinance provides that, with certain exceptions, no criminal proceedings shall be prosecuted before any court in British India against members of the military and naval forces of the United States.—A. P.

MINISTER AND WIFE KILLED

LONDON, Oct. 26.

The German radio announced to-day that the Norwegian Minister for Propaganda, Dr. Gulbrand Lunde had been killed in a motor accident in Central Norway. His wife was also killed.

Ever since the quisling regime began Dr. Lunde had always been prominent in passing on to the Norwegians the voice of his Berlin masters.

ANTI-SEMITIC DRIVE BEGINS

The Vichy News Agency said today that an anti-Semitic campaign has started in Norway following the murder of a Norwegian customs officer named Hvam in a train between Sasborg and Halden by men said to be Jews.—Reuter.

Most Modern Aircraft

OTTAWA, October 26.

Four-engined 'Lancasters, Mosquito' reconnaissance fighter-bombers Curtis dive-bombers and consolidated flying boats —four of the most modern types of aircraft used by the United Nations are now being manufactured in Canada.

46 AXIS PLANES DESTROYED IN MIDDLE EAST

LONDON, Oct. 26.

The Axis lost 46 planes in the Middle East last week and of these 15 were lost over Malta, writes Reuter's air correspondent.

The Allied Middle East losses were 40 planes. Over Europe, the R.A.F. lost 15 planes eleven in the raids on Italy. In addition, three American Flying Fortresses were lost but they shot down nine Axis planes. The R.A.F. accounted for another.

The Axis lost two planes over Britain.

Washington and Melbourne communiques have announced the loss of 48 Japanese planes this week bringing the total for the month to 132.—Reuter.

JAP RAIDS ON CHITTAGONG AND ASSAM AERODROMES

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26.

Enemy aircraft attacked the aerodrome in Chittagong and some aerodromes in north-east Assam on Sunday says a communique.

Reports so far indicate that civilian and military casualties were extremely light and damage small.

Civilian labour employed in the areas attacked displayed extremely high morale and their devotion to routine duties was most marked.

Further Air Raid

There was a further air raid on an aerodrome in north-east Assam this morning, says a 'communique'

No details are yet available but later, one enemy aircraft was shot down in flames, two of the crew bailing out by parachute.

In yesterday's raids, enemy losses so far reported are at least four.—A. P.

United Nations Must Seize Initiative In Burma

NEW YORK: The United Nations must seize the initiative in Burma to convince "the hundreds of millions in Asia who have their doubts", that Japanese eventual defeat can be taken for granted, the "New York Herald Tribune" wrote to-day.

"It is not an undertaking, however, into which over-stimulated hopes should prod commanders in field", it added. "When they are ready, men like Wavell and Stilwell will need no urging".—Reuter.

16 KILLED IN R.A.F. 'PLANE MISHAP

MONTREAL, Oct. 26.

A Royal Air Force Ferry Command aircraft crashed, here killing 16 people.

Two of the dead were men of the crew and others passengers.—Reuter.

Explosion On Temple Roof

SURAT, October 26.

A loud explosion occurred on the roof of a temple in the city in the early hours of this morning. Beyond some tiles being dislodged no damage was caused and no one was injured. The police are investigating.—A P.

More Merchants Arrested

SURAT, October 26.

Eleven more merchants were arrested today under Rule 81 of D.I.R. for observing 'hartal' on October 9.

Six persons in the mofussil have been sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment for taking out a procession in defiance of the Magisterial ban.—A. P.

ALLAHABAD CONGRESS CHIEF ARRESTED

ALLAHABAD, Oct. 26.

Sardar Narmada Prasad Singh, President of the Allahabad District Congress Committee, was, it is learnt arrested at Sutna railway station. He has been brought here for detention under Rule 129 of the Defence of India Rules.—United Press.

Kolhapur Convictions

(From Our Correspondent).

KOLHAPUR, Oct. 26.

Mr. Bagade, pleader and Municipal Councillor, was sentenced by the City Magistrate to-day to pay Rs. 300 fine under D. I. R. for leading a procession and shouting slogans. Mr. Nemchand Shah and seven other students were sentenced to suffer six months' R. I. and to pay Rs. 50 fine, in default to undergo two months' further imprisonment for holding meeting and taking out "Prabhat Pheries"

Repression In Ichalkaranji

Ichalkaranji Prajasangh 'morcha' of about 1,500 farmers and workers left Ichalkaranji last night and marched to Kolhapur Residency to-day

The police stopped them near the Residency gymkhana.

Morcha leaders interviewed complained against "terrorism" in the Jahagir and presented writtem complaints to the Prime Minister who has called a special meeting of the regency Council to-day to deal with Ichalkaranji developments.

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"Scindia House,"
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Bombay, 21st October, 1942.

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The SHAREHOLDERS of the Bombay Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Bombay.

Dear Sirs,

IN sending the accompanying Notice of the 37th Ordinary General Meeting to be held on the 26th November next, we are directed by the Board to inform you that under the provisions of Rule 45B of the Defence of India Rules, the Company is now prohibited from publishing its accounts, report or other document relating to its operations. In consequence, copies of the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account as at 30th June, 1942, and copy of the Directors' Report cannot be sent to you.

We are directed to add that Rule 45B referred to above provides that such accounts, report and documents may be inspected at the Office of the Company by any person, who but for such Rule would have been entitled to receive or inspect copies thereof and who shall have given to the Company Notice in writing of his desire so to do not less than seven days previously.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
The Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.,
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Managing Agents.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Bombay Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., will be held on THURSDAY, the 26th November, 1942, at 4-- p. m. (S. T.) at the Registered Office of the Company, "Scindia House', Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1. To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
2. To elect a Director in place of Mr. Dharamsey Muiraj Khatau, who retires by rotation, but being eligible offers himself for re-election, under Article 97 of the Articles of Association.
3. To elect a Director in place of Mr. Vithaldas Kanji who retires by rotation, but being eligible offers himself for re-election under Article 97 of the Articles of Association.
4. To elect a Director in place of Dr. S. D. Kias who retires by rotation, but being eligible, offers himself for re-election, under Article 97 of the Articles of Association.
5. To elect Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st November, 1942, to the 5th December, 1942, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
For The Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.,
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL DEFENCE DEPARTMENT

APPOINTMENTS OF AREA ORGANISERS AND SENIOR AND JUNIOR WARNING OFFICERS.

THE METHOD of selection for the above posts has now been decided on. Notices will shortly be issued to selected applicants giving a fixed place, time and date at which they should present themselves for an interview. No other interviews will be given and any attempt at personal canvassing will result in the immediate disqualification of the candidate.

J. S. VORLEY,
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APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Energetic Young Men for employment on Admiralty Civilian Clerical Staff Overseas. University Graduates with qualifications in Science or Mathematics preferred. Quarters and Messing provided. Applications stating age qualifications with copies of testimonials (if any), should be sent immediately to the CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT, R. I. N. Office, Vithal House, Mint Road, Bombay. 2182

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai RADHABAI, widow of Govind Hari Gokhale, proving executrix of the last Will and Testament of Vishnu Hari Gokhale, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

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Dated this 24th day of October, 1942.

DIVECHA & THAKORE,
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EARL BROWDER'S MESSAGE TO INDIA

Reply To Indian Communists' Greetings

BOMBAY, Oct. 26.

"Just as all peoples of Occupied Europe have not the slightest reason to doubt that the cause of their freedom is inseparable from that of the heroes of Stalingrad and of China, so also we, Americans, have the obligation to do all in our power through the great influence of our country to help remove all obstacles to India's taking her place in full membership in the United Nations for the full use of her resources and man-power together with ours for the breaking of the Hitler Axis, which aims to enslave the world."

Thus writes Comrade Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party of the United States, in the course of a message of greetings in reply to the message sent by the plenary session of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of India.

Earl Browder says:

"You are striving to unite all popular and national forces for their national rights and in defence of India against the Japanese militarists and Axis barbarism.

"The people of India and their leaders supported by the British, American and other peoples are striving to defend and save it from the fate of occupied China and Europe. In fighting alliance with the United Nations, history has placed enormous responsibility upon the Communist Party of India which by its sound principles will be able to exercise an enormous influence upon the course of world events."—United Press.

Hyderabad Women's Rally Addressed By Princess Of Berar

HYDERABAD, Oct. 24.

"Don't permit yourself to sink into a condition of apathy and indifference. On the other hand don't be hysterical or panic-stricken. Be fearless and calm like the wonderful women of other lands and like them be prepared to serve our beloved country at the moment of her greatest need" thus observed H. H. The Princess of Berar addressing a special rally of the Princess of Berar's Civil Defence Corps for Women yesterday of which she is the President.

"Proceeding the Princess said, I have called for this special rally to-day so as to have an opportunity of coming into direct contact with all of you. On behalf of my officers and Council Members I extend you a very warm welcome and I am personally happy to see you gathered there together beneath the banners of my Civil Defence Corps for Women. In having joined the Corps you have proved yourself to be wise and true citizens. For even though you may not be able to render aid to those around you will surely be helping protect the State by guarding yourselves, your families and homes against danger in the proper way that you have been taught."

Concluding the Princess said that she hoped to see them many times again when this ghastly tragedy of world war was over.—Orient Press.

25 LAKHS FOR BACKWARD CLASSES

Plans For All-Round Improvement

The Government of Bombay has earmarked Rs. 25,00,000 from the Special Development Fund to be spent on measures for the betterment of the Backward Classes of the Province, with the primary object of enabling these classes gradually to rely more on their own resources.

The Government has appointed the following Committee to advise on the needs of the Backward Classes and how best this sum of Rs. 25,00,000 should be expended in their interest:—

The Commissioner Central Division (Chairman) the Director of Public Instruction, the Director of Industries and the Backward Class Officer (Secretary);

Non-Officials—Mr. A. V. Thakkar, Mr. D. G. Jadhav, M.L.A., Mr. F.D. Ghodke and Mr. Bhaurao P. Patil.

The Committee has been asked to start work as early as possible and to submit its report to Government within six months.

The Committee's terms of reference are:

HEALTH IMPROVEMENTS.

Schemes for better housing; slum clearance and water supply (including water supply for Scheduled Castes); improvement of roads and communications in Backward Areas and extension of medical facilities in Backward Areas.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS.

Scholarships and studentships in schools, Colleges, Vocational and Technical Institutions, payment of examination fees; student hostels, technical education and technical training; further measures for encouraging primary education in Backward Areas; continuation of literacy—libraries, pamphlets and magazines; and night classes and adult literacy classes.

MATERIAL IMPROVEMENTS

Encouragement of cottage industries and grant to artisans for capital expenses; advances of grain and seed to agriculturists for maintenance and sowing purposes; grants and tagavi loans to agriculturists for improving their lands and adopting better farming methods; help to co-operative societies having Backward Class membership and to co-operative societies situated in Backward Areas; grants to voluntary agencies carrying on propaganda among Backward Classes and working for their uplift; extension of the provision for legal assistance; provision for carrying on propaganda for removal of untouchability; appointment of more officers for carrying on propaganda for improvement of these classes; agricultural improvement, rural development and industrial demonstration centres and shows in Backward Areas.

RURAL TRAINING FOR SANITARY STUDENTS

Students admitted to the Sanitary Inspectors' Course of the Royal Sanitary Institute, London, conducted at Bombay will be required, as a part of their practical training and training in rural health, to visit and reside in places outside Bombay City like Poona, Sirur and Nasik, for about a month.

WEAVING SCHOOL TO BE CONTINUED

Snaction has been given by the Government of Bombay to the continuance of the weaving school for weavers in the Southern Division for three years from April 1, 1943.

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TUESDAY, OCT. 27.

DELHI I—Programme.

358.6 metres (895 kc/s)

5 p.m. Bhajans by Air Bhajan Mandli. 5-15 Ghaffar Haider. 5-30 Ram Autar. 5-45 Anwarbai. 6 Asad Ali Khan. 6-45 Bhajans. 7 Asad Ali Khan. 7-15 Anwarbai. 7-30 For the Universities. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Ram Autar. 8-45 Ira Nigam 8-55 Jawabi Hamla. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Bhajans. 10 Ram Autar. 10-15 Asad Ali Khan. 10-30 Anwarbai.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Sarangi Solo. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 Niwrutti Sarnaik. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Ahmed Dilawer. 9-25 Devotional songs. 9-35 Chhota Gandharv. 12-50 p.m. Songs from Sindh. 12-45 News in Hindustani. 12-50 News in Marathi. 12-55 News in Gujarati. 1 Marathi melodies. 1-30 News in English. 1-40 Lunch-hour music. To-morrow. 5-5 B. V. Jadhav. 5-25 Sundrabai. 5-40 Niwrutti Sarnaik. 5-55 Local news and announcements. 6 Children's half-hour. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani. 6-45 News commentary. 6-50 B. V. Jadhav. 7 New Marathi books. 7-15 Highbrows. 7-30 Sundrabai. 7-45 News in Marathi. 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Chhota Gandharv. 8-15 Ahmed Dilawer. 8-30 "Blood, toil, tears and sweat". 8-45 Radio Reconnaissance. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Musical interlude. 10 Mehli Mehta. 10-15 Morales Symphony Orchestra.

Bombay II—Programme

49.3 metres (6,085 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay I. 8-5 Variety. 6-15 to 8-50 As in Bombay I. 8-50 Bibhas on violin. 8-55 Sundrabai. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay I.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay I

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

5 to 7-15 As in Bombay I. 7-15 Interval.

31.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Niwrutti Sarnaik. 8-5 to 9 As in Bombay I. 9 Chhota Gandharv. 9-30 Hamidi recital. 7-45 Ahmed Dilawer. 10 Abdul Karim Khan Anniversary.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

Vishunath Ganesh Nimbkar, was arrested at the Library Nakya, Hill Road, Bandra, on Sunday morning whilst he was leading a procession of about 20 persons, with a Congress flag.

CYCLIST KNOCKED DOWN

Digamber V. Parulekar, a boy of 14, while crossing the junction of 7th Road and Ghodbunder Road at Khar on Sunday morning on a cycle, was knocked down by a motor-van B.M.T. 5650. The boy died whilst he was being removed to hospital.

FINED RS. 100.

Purshotam Premji, a resident of Kurla, was placed before the Resident Magistrate by Mr. A. Duarte, Travelling Ticket Inspector, G. I. P. Railway, on charge of using another person's season ticket. The accused was found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 100 plus Railway fare of Rs. 2 in default one month's simple imprisonment.

SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION

In celebration of the Silver Jubilee of the Tabernacle Society of St. Andrew's Church, Bandra, His Grace Dr. Thomas Roberts, S.J., Archbishop of Bombay, said the Pontifical High Mass on Sunday at 8 a.m. In the evening, His Grace performed the Confirmation of over 300 children after which he gave the Papal Benediction. Over 1,000 people were present.

Mr. T. V. RAJAGOPALAN

informs his friends that he has RESIGNED from the American Express Co., Inc., and his future address is care. The Indo-Commercial Bank, Ltd., Mayavaram.

City And Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

Hindu: Aswin Vad 3, 1998
Muslim: Savval 16, 1361
Parsi: Ardibehest 23, 1311
Sunrise: 7-38 a.m. Sunset: 7-7 p.m.
Hightide: 1-42, 13-29. Lowtide 7-30, 19-26.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

ROXY—"Ujhan" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL—"To The Shores of Tripoli" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Pimpernel Smith" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Roti" 3-45, 6-45 and 10 p.m
BROADWAY—"My Eyes" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Atlantic Ferry" 3-30 6-30 and 9-30
EXCELSIOR—"Skylark" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
NEW WEST-END—"Khan-Daan" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Vanmala' 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"The Thief of Bagdad" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
AURORA—"Swamp Water" 4, 6-30 and 10
CHITRA—"Society" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m
EDWARD—"Apna-Ghar" 3-30 6-30 and 9-30
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
SUPER—"Mamaji" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Ulti-Ganga" 4-30, 7 and 9-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"State Guests" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
PLAZA—"Swami" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Chandni" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Station Master" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Shadi" 4-30 7-15 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Zevar" 4-30 7-15 and 10 p.m.

MAHARANI LAXMIBAI JHANSI SMARAK MANDAL: The abovenamed Mandal has started special physical training classes for ladies, to be trained as instructors in physical training, in the Arya Samaj Hall, Kakad Wadi, Bombay. The classes will be held every evening at 6 p.m. (S.T.). Those who desires further information may communicate to Mrs. Satyabhanabai Kunte between 3 and 5 p.m. every day. First-Aid classes running under the auspices of the same Mandal will be held regularly on Saturdays at the stipulated time.

GATHA SOCIETY: A public meeting of the Gatha Society will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo Street, when Mr. Behramgore T. Anklesaria, will give an exposition in Gujarati on the 'Gatha Vohu Khshathra (Yasna Ha 51) strophe 1.

ALL-INDIA COTTON FORECAST: The Second All-India Cotton Forecast estimates for 1942-43 will be exhibited in the Cotton Exchange (in the office of the East India Cotton Association, Ltd., and in the Trading Hall of the Association), Marwari Bazar, Bombay, and in the Cotton Green Building of the Association, Sewri, Bombay, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) to-day (Tuesday).

RAMAKRISHNA-VIVEKANANDA CENTRE, DADAR: The General Committee of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Dadar, has unanimously resolved in a meeting held on Sunday, to change the present name into Ramakrishna Vivekananda Centre henceforward.

Mr. D. V. Sabnis will give a religious discourse on 'Dnyaneshwari' in Marathi, to-day (Tuesday) at 7-15 p.m. at the Centre premises, 54 Portuguese Church Street, Dadar.

RUBBER AND COPRA

Price of rubber in local market to-day is rubber sheet 71, Crepe 72 1/4. Saturday's closing same. Copra 89.00, cocoanut oil per cwt naked 21.00.

ABDUL KARIM KHAN ANNIVERSARY ON AIR

All-India Radio, Bombay will broadcast a special feature written by Jitubhai Mehta in memory of the late Khan Sahib Abdul Karim Khan at 10 p.m to-day (Tuesday).

'KHALSA' TO BE PUBLISHED: Bombay Akali Dal have decided to publish a weekly Punjabi (Gurmukhi) paper entitled "Khalsa" to look after the rights of the Sikhs of the Bombay presidency, Maharashtra and Deccan.

The Declaration of the "Khalsa" has been granted, and the first Publication will be issued on Nov. 22.

Sardar Kartar Singh, President of Bombay Akali Dal has been elected to carry on the work as Editor.

MUNICIPAL WORKERS' CONFERENCE

Plea For Federation On Trade Union Lines

POONA, October 24.

A plea for the immediate establishment of a strong central organisation of municipal workers to adequately and effectively deal with such matters as vitally affect the life and work of the Municipal workers was made by Mr. R. R. Bhole, Chairman of the Reception Committee, welcoming the delegates to the All-India Municipal Workers' Conference which commenced here this afternoon.

Sardar Gopalsingh, M.L.A. Parliamentary Secretary to the Government of the Punjab presided over the Conference. A large number of delegates from all over the country were present on the occasion.—

Sardar Gopal Singh said:

Municipal conservancy services should be banded into well-knit Conservancy Labour Unions in towns, districts and provinces and the centre and that these unions should control all supply of skilled, technical or unskilled labour for their ranks to be employed by the local Self-Government and other agencies.

Continuing the Sardar urged the Conservancy Services throughout the country to organise themselves into trade unions which would produce among them sentiments of self discipline, hard intelligent work and security of tenure and of work. These unions could force the employing agencies to set up and run labour exchanges after European pattern where the unemployed among them could be registered and later helped to get enlisted in places that would demand for workers.

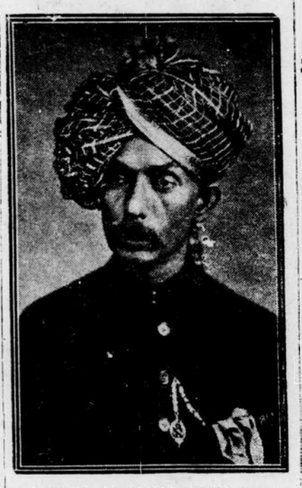
WAGE LEVEL

The present wage level for workers was criminally unjust. Consequently, it could not make for any efficiency or satisfaction. The employers must be made to realise that they would be made a satisfied lot of workers only by being paid above the mere subsistence level,

Seventy-five per cent of the net proceeds of the forthcoming Sind Lawn Tennis Championships to be held from Nov. 7 to 21 will be donated to the Sind Flood Relief Fund while the balance will be given for war charities.

NEW DELHI: It is understood that Sir T. Sapru while visiting Delhi will have interviews with the Viceroy and Mr. Jinnah in early November. Mr. Allah Baksh is also arriving here to meet Sir T. Sapru. —Orient Press.

IN MEMORY OF ABDUL KARIM KHAN



KHANSAHEB ABDUL KARIM KHAN

Prominent Artistes To Take Part In Anniversary Concert

Lovers of Indian Classical music will find an excellent programme at to-day's concert at Blavatsky Lodge at 6 p.m. which has been organized in honour of the 8th anniversary of the late Khansahib Abdul Karim Khan and which will be presided over by Mr. S. A. Brelvi. The following artistes will take part in to-day's programme: Balkrishna and Shankerrao Kapileshwari, Rosinara Begum, Dashratha Boowa Mooke, Anjanibai Wadker, Master Yeshwant T. Carvalje, Kumari Soomati Wadker, Khan Saheb Vilayat Khan, Shamsudin, Soonali Parmelar and others.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN DAYS OF KRISHNA

"Social conditions in the time of Lord Krishna" was the subject of a lecture delivered under the auspices of the Bombay Field Club by Pandit Ramachandra Shastri, President, Sanskruti Kendra, at the Lecture Hall of the University School of Economics and Sociology on Monday evening.

Mr. R. G. Gyani, Curator, Archaeological section, Prince of Wales Museum who presided on the occasion said that while the vast majority of Hindus regarded Krishna as a God, there was a school of thought which held that he was a great personality, who had left a permanent mark on the life and culture of India. It was with Krishna as a moulder of Society that they were concerned.

Pandit Ramachandra Shastry said that he belonged to the category of people who regarded Krishna as a God. He did not regard the epics as mythology but as history. Hindu scholarship regarded history as the fifth Veda, and as such a true chronicle of events from the beginning to the end of the world.

In his view it was only when they read the epics as truth and not with disbelief that they could reconstruct the civilisation of those days. The lecturer proceeded to interpret the various incidents in the life of Krishna from this point of view.

NON-PARTY CONFERENCE

NEW DELHI, Oct. 25.

It is understood that the next meeting of the Standing Committee of non-party conference will be held in New Delhi on November 21st and 22nd. The original dates flyed have been changed owing to Diwali holdings. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru will preside over the meeting.—A. P.

All-Prophets' Day At Blavatsky Hall

BOMBAY Sunday.

The Anjuman-i-Ahmedia celebrated the All-Prophets' Day at the Blawatsky Hall, to-day. Begum Atya Begum who presided said that the prophets were a gift to humanity. Islam meant brotherhood and as such all prophets and all religions must be respected.

Maulana Nayyar M. Jinwala and others also spoke.

GOVT. GATE SOCIAL WELFARE DAY

To celebrate the birthday of His Highness the Maharaja Sir Bhagwatsinghji of Gondal a party was given in the office of "Muslim Times" a local Gujarati Daily on Sunday by Mr. Mohammad Monwelwala, when Mr. Keshavlal Upadhyay presided.

Speeches were made by Messrs. Vali Uraizee and Hasham Kandar eulogising the reforms introduced by the Ruler who has also popularised the use of Khadi and Swadeshi articles.

A dinner was given by Mr. A. S. Wali at his residence in the afternoon.

GOVT. GATE SOCIAL WELFARE CENTRE

The fourth anniversary of the Government Gate Social Welfare Centre was celebrated on Sunday. Mr. Madhavlal M. Bhatt presiding. Mr. Kothawala, Superintendent of the centre, was also present.

Mr. Bhatt in his presidential address paid a tribute to the work done by the centre and said that he did not believe that the capitalists or the rich persons were something quite different from the labouring class. This class of people, said Mr. Bhatt, was an essential part of the society. He did not like the idea of looking down on this class of people simply because they belonged to labouring class. He advised them to pay more attention to cleanliness, and thought it would be better if a man was specially appointed to visit the chawls of labourers to preach the elementary principles of sanitation and its advantages. He admired the punctuality of the workers as the function was started in the night time, and advised them to be regular in their work too. He considered himself to be lucky to be amongst them, and expressed a desire that he would be given more opportunities to meet them frequently.

Mrs. Bhatt distributed the prizes and after a vote of thanks the function came to a close.

DETENTION OF PUNJAB M.L.A.s

Several Adjournments To Come Up Before Assembly Today

LAHORE, Oct. 26.

An attempt will be made in the Punjab Assembly to-morrow to raise discussion on the arrest and detention of certain members of the House, including Lala Bhim Sen Sachar, leader of the Opposition, and Mian Iftikharuddin President of the Punjab Congress by means of an adjournment motion, which has been tabled by Sardar Sohansingh Joshi.

About half a dozen other adjournment motions have also been given notice of by the same member. They 'inter alia' relate to the imposition of pre-censorship of news in the Punjab.

In all seventeen adjournment motions have so far been tabled in connection with Congress movement.

ASSEMBLY ADJOURNS

The Punjab Legislative Assembly, which opened its autumn session to-day, was adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of late Rao Pohop Singh, a prominent member of the Unionist Party, who died recently.

Sardar Teja Singh Swatantar, a Communist member of the House, who had been detained ever since his election took oath to-day.—A. P.

Punjab Drive Against Fifth Columnists'

(From Our Correspondent)

LAHORE, Oct. 26.

Sir Manoharlal, Finance Minister, presented supplementary estimates for 1942-43 in Punjab Assembly this afternoon amounting to Rs. 18,871,460 of which Rs. 338,140 are for establishing a Security Intelligence Staff in all districts to detect and forestall 'fifth columnist' activities in the event of invasion or even air-raid Rs. 13,100-000 will be spent for purchasing of wheat and gram to the extent of 60,000 and 20,000 tons respectively, through the Co-operative Department. These stocks will be available in case of emergency.

CALCUTTA, Oct. 26.: The first annual general meeting of All Hajees Welfare League will be held on November 8 under the presidency of Sir Adamjee Hajee Dawood.—Orient Press.

M.B.B.S. EXAM. RESULTS

Following candidates have passed the M.B.B.S. Examination held in October:—

PASS NOS.: 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 11 12 14 15 16 17 18 19 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 32 33 34 37 38 39 40 41 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 62 64 66 67

Artillery Practice

There will be artillery practice in Bombay on Wednesday October 28, between 8 p.m and 11 p.m.

Anti-Aircraft Practice

Anti-aircraft firing practice will take place in Bombay between 9 a.m. and 4-30 p.m. on October 27, between 8 a.m. and 4-30 p.m. on October 28, between 2-30 p.m. and 4-30 p.m. on October 29 and 30 and between 10-30 a.m. and 4-30 p.m. on October 31.

Volunteers For War Service

In order that temporary Government servants may not be deterred from volunteering for war services for fear of losing their posts on their return from such service, the Government of Bombay has directed that permanent posts, on which no other Government servants hold liens or on which the liens of the permanent incumbents have been suspended under Bombay Civil Service Rules, in which the temporary Government servants are officiating at the time they volunteer for war service should be reserved for them until they return from that service.

ABDUL GAFFAR KHAN

Confers With Congress & Redshirt Leaders

LAHORE, Oct. 26

On Sunday Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan held talks with various leaders of the Red Shirts and the Congress in the Frontier at the residence of Mian Ali Gul Khan President of the F. P. C. C. and later in the camp of the Red Shirts in the town. Among those present were Dewan Bhanju Ram Gandhi, ex-Finance Minister Mian Jaffar Shah, M.L.A., Arbab Abdur Rahman Khan M.L.A., and Hakim Abdul Jalil Naddhavi.—A P

FRONTIER LEADERS ADDRESS MEETING

PESHAWAR, Oct. 26.

A public meeting was held yesterday in Peshawar City. Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, Dr. Khansahib Khan Aligul Khan and Diwan Bhanjuram Gandhi addressed the meeting.—United Press.

STATES LEAGUE DEFENCE COMMITTEE

NAGPUR, Oct. 26.

A meeting of the Central Defence Committee of the All-India States Muslim League will be held on November 15 and 16 at Nagpur. The Committee will discuss 'inter alia' the present situation in the States and formulate a plan for safeguarding the interests of Muslims in the States.—A P.

Poppy Day Fund

First Indian Chairman's Appeal

Mr. Rammivas Ramnaratn Ruia, Chairman, Poppy Day Appeal 1942 Fund has issued the following appeal:—

"This appeal on Poppy Day is made to you for the first time over an Indian's signature, because as from this year, the moneys collected in India will be divided equally between Indian and British ex Servicemen.

It is scarcely necessary to point out that no political significance attaches to this appeal. There are certain human feelings which cannot be regulated by political conditions, and the ordinary courtesies which man must extend to his fellowmen still remain the essence of decent living all over the World. My appeal to you is motivated by this one thought alone, because I believe in all sincerity, that the cause for which I beg, is essentially a humanitarian cause, and its equal distribution now makes it an equitable proposition.

There are to-day over a million Indians fighting in this War. There are many more millions of British soldiers fighting side by side. All these men will not come out unscathed, even as they did not out of the last War. Some of these gaunt and lungering men of 1914-18 unknown to us as individuas are still walking over the face of this World, patiently bearing the sorrows which the War inflicted on them, and of these men so many are in this country. I believe we should do something for these living dead. That is why I ask for your help in whatever way your purse will permit.

Donations may be addressed to me or to the Honorary Treasurer, Poppy Day Appeal Fund 1942 C/o Lloyds Bank, Bombay."

JINNAH TO OPEN NON-BRAHMIN DAILY

MADRAS, Oct. 26.

Madras will have another English daily "Liberator" which will be the organ of the non-Brahmin and Justice party. Dr. Krishnaswami, son of Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar will be the Editor "Orient Press" understands that Mr. Jinnah who was invited by the promoters will inaugurate the opening ceremony in the third week of November.—Orient Press.

STONES THROWN AT WHITEAWAYS

Two massive glass panes of the show case at Whiteaway Laidlaws were broken on Sunday night as a result of stone throwing. Articles displayed inside were not damaged.

"At Home" To Indian Envoy To Soviet

A delightful "At Home" was arranged in the Hall of the Servants of India Society on the evening of Saturday last in honour of Mr. B T. Ranadive on the eve of his impending departure to the Soviet Union as a member of the Indian goodwill mission.

Mr. S. S. Mirajkar who presided on the occasion Mr. N. M. Joshi, M.L.A., (Central) and two other Representatives of the Labour Associations in Bombay spoke of the good qualities of the head and heart of the chief guest and wished him all success in his noble Mission. Mr. Ranadive briefly replied

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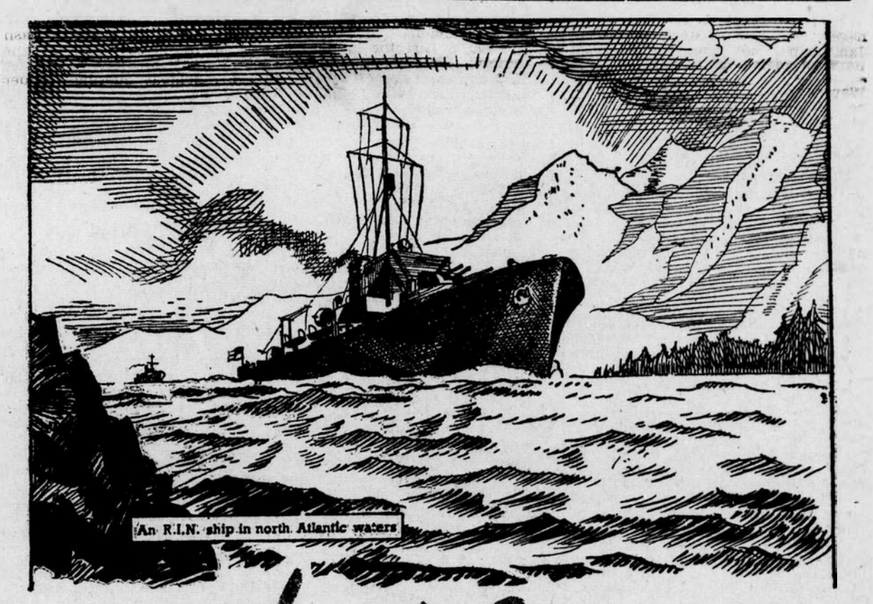

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NOT INDIA'S REPRESENTATIVES

Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar, Chairman of the Institute of International Affairs, Indian Branch, has selected himself, Sir Mahomed Zafrullah Khan, Begum Shah Nawaz, Sardar K. M. Panikkar, Mr. Ranganathan and Rai Bahadur Meherchand Khanna to form the Indian Delegation to the Institute of Pacific Relations, which, after an interval of six years, is holding a session sometime in December in Canada. The Institute of International Affairs is the Indian Branch of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London. The public is not aware of any activities of its Indian Branch, and therefore, is not in a position to understand the importance that the sending of this Delegation all the way to Canada may have. Yet it is denied that they are going there with the object of carrying on propaganda. The I.P.R. is an unofficial organisation founded in the United States with the object of studying and discussing problems in the Pacific. It is known to have influence over the American Government just as its counterpart in England is said to have on the British Government. We are not aware of any justification for the claim made by its Indian Branch of possessing any influence on the Government of India. The I.P.R. is supported by constituent institutes in countries that have interest in the Pacific. It is said that India had never been invited before, because she had no interest in the Pacific till now. The position is changed on account of India's commitments in the war with Japan.

Not Representative

While the information made available to the public with regard to this Delegation lacks details, it is necessary to point out that at the forthcoming session of the I.P.R. questions vitally affecting the various countries are likely to be discussed and decisions arrived at which may have far-reaching effects on their position, especially with regard to their multifarious commitments. As the commitments on behalf of India have so far been made entirely at the behests of Britain without consultation with the various public and commercial interests the wisdom of sending an arbitrarily selected personnel as representatives of India is open to doubt. Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar and his erstwhile distinguished colleagues, Sir Mohd. Zafrullah Khan, cannot by any stretch of imagination be deemed fit to represent the complexity of interests in India, as they have so far acted only on behalf of the Government of India, whose policy for all practical purposes is dictated by Whitehall. Sardar Panikkar is no doubt also an exponent of the case for the Indian Princes but he has more than once proved himself to be a protagonist of the Princes rather than of India as a whole. Rai Saheb Khanna is an active member of the Hindu Mahasabha and can hardly be expected to speak authoritatively for the Indian people as a whole. Mr. Ranganathan is a Justicite. The Deligation, we are afraid, will create a false impression in the minds of the representatives of the other participating countries in the name of India. The inspired apology that has accompanied the announcement of this Delegation does not in any way allay the fears in this regard.

A Propagandist Mission

We have been naively assured that the Delegation is in no sense a Government Delegation except that some of its members are officials and all were selected by Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar, an official. Past experience has shown that there is little difference between a body of officials and one nominated by officials. The Delegation has little representative capacity and will doubtless carry on political propaganda for the Government. We are told that "besides taking part in the deliberations of the conference, the members will speak in public or write, but it is denied that they are going with the object of carrying on propaganda." The sentence is curious. It denies that the Delegation is going "with the object" of carrying on propaganda, but it does not deny that, having gone there with a different object, it may incidentally do a bit of propaganda. And we know but too well what "talking points" it will be provided with. Some days ago a Delhi paper announced that a propaganda mission would soon be sent to America. That mission has now been announced though it has naturally been given a different name. How far it may go on misrepresenting the Congress publicly or secretly, it will be difficult to know owing to censorship which we are told by Lord Linlithgow, is very liberal. There is no escape from such infliction till the country is governed by its own accredited representatives.

Stop The Evil

Elsewhere on this page we publish a letter by Prof. K. T. Shah about the proselytizing campaign in the St. Sophia College, Bombay. He points out that so far "one Parsi girl has already been converted; another said to be a Muslim is also converted, or about to be; a Sikh, ditto; and four or five others on the waiting list," and that "the girl actually converted was just 18 on the day of her formal espousal of Christ." The information may be presumed to be substantially correct as else it would not have been published by a responsible educationist like Prof. Shah nor need one doubt the statement that these actual and prospective conversions are not mere coincidences but the result of the subtle, ceaseless propaganda carried on by the nuns of the college.

The questions arise whether such propaganda should be allowed and, if not, how it should be stopped for good. Let us, to prevent misunderstanding, state at the outset that a person should be free to hold and proclaim any religious views according to his mature convictions, whether they are of his native faith or any other or a synthesis of what he believes to be the best features of the great faiths of the world. But if there is to be a change of faith it must be, as we have said above, due to mature convictions. If so, to instil into the minds of raw boys and girls necessarily one-sided religious views—that is, without any fair study of comparative religions—and then to convert them formally but more or less surreptitiously to a particular creed is taking unfair advantage of the position of teachers, who are rightly regarded as being in "loco parentis" and who should, therefore, treat the pupils as their children. As Prof. Shah points out, such tactics are a breach of trust against the parents, the University and the public, who help the institutions in one way or other in the hope that they will impart good secular instruction. To urge that proselytizing propaganda in the present case is extra-curricular is an unworthy subterfuge.

To end the evil in this particular college, the first thing necessary is to investigate all the relevant facts. There is sufficient "prima facie" evidence to justify an impartial investigation by the University Senate which has recognised the college. If for any reason the University fails to do that, the parents of the girls of the college or their proxies and such of the members of the Senate as are willing to join them should appoint a committee of investigation. Whatever may be the specific findings and recommendations of such an inquiry, the root of the trouble in most missionary institutions is that religious instruction is allowed to be made compulsory. It is time the Education Department and the University introduced a "Conscience Clause" making attendance at such instruction purely optional. It is also a pity that many missionary institutions are conducted or controlled by non-Indians who cannot feel on this subject as Indians do, though they themselves will never send their children to schools and colleges where religious education other than that of their own faith or sect is made compulsory. We do not approve of special colleges for girls, but we recognize that there are a large number of girls who, for some reason or other, will not attend mixed colleges and that for such girls special colleges are necessary. To prevent the evil in the St. Sophia College from spreading further it is necessary to start soon in Bombay a college for girls conducted and controlled only by Indians and imparting purely secular instruction.

The Burma Front

Do recent reports suggest the beginning of a new and active stage on the Burma frontier? For no apparent reason it was announced the other day that a powerful British naval force was operating in the Indian Ocean, although it is a regrettable fact that the battleships assigned to the area should all be aged veterans very slow to manoeuvre. Yesterday's communiques from R. A. F. and American headquarters report some fighter sweeps over Burma and the first Japanese raids for many months on aerodromes in Chittagong and Assam. The campaigning season has almost opened and we believe that the circumstances favour an offensive by General Wavell rather than by the Japs. General Wavell has now got a strong and well-equipped army and good support on sea and in the air. The British fleet under Admiral Sommerville can, if not dominate, at least certainly deny the use of the Bay of Bengal to the Japanese particularly because their naval strength is unavoidably engaged in the Pacific. In the air, the balance ought to be definitely in favour of the British. The Japs have suffered so heavily that their weakness in air is now becoming conspicuously clear. They are now forced to use second and third rate pilots which fact is demonstrated by happenings in the South-West Pacific, where in their latest raid on Guadalcanar they lost the entire fighter escort of twenty planes as also one and possibly four planes.

It may be that they have got a good many veterans in Burma but it is reasonable to suppose that they constitute only a proportion of the Japanese air force in the area, for otherwise they would not allow such grievous massacres of pilots and planes in the south-west Pacific. The advantages, as we say, are on the side of General Wavell. He will probably not strike at once now. Being, as he said recently, at the end of the Allied line of supply, he may prefer to wait and see how the offensive in the Middle East develops. That, however, ought not to take more than a week. By the end of this week General Montgomery will know definitely "where we are." And let us hope, they will be deep and decisively in enemy positions. But, whatever the manner and speed of the British progress in Egypt, there is really no reason why operations in Burma should be dependent upon those in the Middle East. General Wavell has, we hope, received enough supplies for his purposes and Allied production now ensures a steady flow of them towards all the fronts.

Frankly Speaking

Blunders In The Solomons

The military correspondent of the "New York Times", who has just returned from a tour of the Pacific contributes the material footnote to the recent change in the south-west Pacific Command. What he says clearly means that Admiral Ghormley had been committing a series of costly blunders in August and September. This at least offers a plausible explanation of the Japanese landings in the Gaudalcanar area and subsequent events. But the mischief has already been done and it will need a great deal of effort on the part of Admiral Halsey and his resources to undo it.

Threatening Situation

As it is, the land situation has definitely grown more threatening. From the latest Washington communique it is revealed that the Japs have brought not only heavy artillery but even tanks. Their first five attacks have been repulsed. But the presence of tanks is an ominous measure of strength which the Japs have succeeding in gathering on the island. And to add to the seriousness of the threat, the enemy landed more troops on the island on Sunday morning. American and Allied aircraft, of course, supply a relieving feature. They are taking considerable toll of Japanese warships, transports, cargo vessels and supplies, and are simply working havoc among enemy planes. But what is painfully evident is that by themselves they have not succeeded in weakening the Jap determination to press on with their operations against Guadalcanar.

Raid On Hong-Kong

After a lull for a number of long weeks, the American Air Force in China has again become active. This time it has struck deep into Jap-occupied territory both in the north and the south-east. The attack on Hong Kong is particularly interesting. It is not known what damage was caused to the targets, but the destruction of no fewer than 15 Japanese planes for the loss of only two bombers is a satisfactory result in the air. The resumption of air activities by General Stillwell is all the more welcome because a flare-up in Burma cannot be dismissed as entirely unlikely event.

Wanted An Indian

We understand that a Deputy Chairman of the Bombay Port Trust in charge of Docks and Railway is to be appointed very soon and that the appointment of a non-Indian for the post is being urged on the ground that no Indian with the necessary standing and experience is available. We cannot believe that no suitable Indian is available. We suspect this is merely one more instance of a policy of Europeanisation followed in the name of and under cover of war conditions. We are sure Indians with the necessary experience can be found in the country. And if it is true that the Deputy Chairman's work is mostly administrative, there are surely many Indians who can worthily fill the post.

Proselytizing In Sophia College

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—It has come to my knowledge that the nuns of the St. Sophia College for Women, recently affiliated to this University have been carrying on proselytising activities on a large scale. Such activities are not only extra-curricular; they constitute a breach of faith, morally speaking, which no self-respecting citizen can allow to go unchallenged.

Having been obliged, for reasons of public policy, to oppose the affiliation of this College, when the question first came before the Senate, I felt some hesitation in taking up the present matter, when the facts relating to them were first placed before me. Besides, the information regarding those happenings came to me,—not officially. Under the circumstances, the first step necessary was to obtain this information officially and authoritatively. But when the request was formally made through the proper channel, I learnt, to my amazement, that, because the University had made no specific condition of affiliation, forbidding such activities, we had no right as a University to make such enquiries officially.

Chocked off, in this manner, from the correct, constitutional channel for collecting the data, one is obliged to rely on whatever information one can gather from the victims of such activities. The substance of the information, thus available, amounts to this: One Parsi girl has already been converted; another said to be a Muslim, is also converted, or about to be; a Sikh, ditto; and four or five others on the waiting list.

The girl actually converted was just 18 on the day of her formal espousal of Christ,—or was it merely a simple regeneration by baptism? The Reverend Ladies conducting the College seem to consider 18 to be such a ripe, mature age, as to permit a life-long renunciation of the faith of one's birth, and the ties of one's family. And that without the benefit of any advice from the parents, friends, or other well-wishers!

The parents of another girl, also Parsi, informed this writer, speaking with the most obvious, poignant distress, that their daughter, too, was contemplating the fatal step; and that it was only a chance,—or an act of God, as the mother called it,—that her intention was discovered before the self-styled Daughter-in-Christ was lost in the Bosom of the Apostolic Church. To the remonstrance of the parents,—I have never seen a woman more moved than this mother,—their child was taught to reply,—apparently by the Reverend Ladies of Warden Road,—that parents could be selfish; and that the children owed no consideration to them, when the matter at issue concerned their immortal soul! According to information from the same source, the girl actually converted—and now removed to Panchgani and kept in a convent there, deems it no part of her fillial duty to the mother who gave her birth and who is shocked almost to her deathbed by this act of her convert child, even to see her father, —or some one acting on his behalf,—when he travelled all the way to Panchgani to reason with the newly reclaimed,—or is it redeemed?—lamb.

Details of other actual, or impending, conversions are still incomplete, or unavailable. But, you will agree, Sir, that the case, which has admittedly occurred, leaves no doubt of the matter being of the utmost public importance. The College has still a very small number of students. But the mere fact of affiliation to the University imparts it a status, which fills its other classes, and the hostel attached, with children of the tenderest age and the most impressionable years. Those of them who live in the Hostel are, for twenty-four hours every day, under the incessant influence of these Ladies of the Sacred Heart, who are deservedly known as the feminine counterpart of the formidable Jesuits! And you know what redoubtable champions of reaction they have proved themselves all over the world. Their technique of handling children, for secular education as well as with a view to their eternal soul, is so subtle, so refined, so perfect, it is no wonder at all the children actually contemplating betraying their father's faith, are proof against any but the most drastic treatment to cure them of their infatuation.

Most of the Hostel inmates, moreover, are daughters, presumably of parents living in the mofussil. Away from their family, out of contact with their native culture, and subject, like Stalingrad, to incessant, but invisible, attacks on their faith, by the most consummate of the missionaries, is it any surprise that persons of such tender years and unformed judgment fall easy prey to such artful endeavours made in the most ingratiating manner? Rather is it a matter for marvel that these missionary women, highly educated and widely travelled as they seem to be—should yet so far forget the unwritten obligation, inherent in their position as teachers, and in 'loco parentis' towards the inmates in the hostel, as to unleash such influences against their helpless wards, and so betray a trust, morally if not technically, which was reposed in them by the parents sending their daughters to be educated in good sense, good morals, and good manners.

This breach of trust is, primarily, against the parents of the children converted, or contemplating conversion. But, in a wider sense, it is also a breach of faith 'vis-a-vis' the University, which, by affiliation, gave them standing and importance. It is also a breach of faith against the country as a whole, which gives them hospitality. The University is empowered to take steps which, let us hope, will be taken, effectively to deal with this breach. But the menace of this Black Peril does not begin and end with the University. It is nation-wide; and its remedy lies with the watch-dogs of the commonweal,—the Public Press, and such organisations of public opinion, still left free to function, like the All-India Women's Conference, who should take the alarm, while there is yet time and effective steps against such insidious attacks on the faiths, the culture, and the family life of the people.—Yours etc.,

K. T. SHAH

Bombay, October 25.

Britain Must Shed Fear And Solve Indian Deadlock

Rajaji's Plea For Keeping Aside Controversies: But Abdul Latif Raises Federation Issue

MADRAS, October 26.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar in the course of a statement to the 'Associated Press' says:

"The immediate reactions to my proposal are encouraging. I hope we shall not fall into the trap of controversy over little details and the petty anxieties of particular interests. The main question must be kept intact. It is whether the British have shed their fears and agree to link up the people with the State in India during and for the sake of the war. If this is first agreed to and British sincerity or rather dauntlessness is established, the way is clear. If we fall into the old rut and get bogged in purposeless criticism and mutual safeguarding before the British Government open their mouth, we shall be proving their old case. Everybody wants a positive solution and is tired of negation. Let the only question open to the British and their Allies to ask me, will you help win the war? And let the answer be an emphatic and true 'yes.' And if it all comes to pass, let us forget the past and use the time before us so that we may be in the world-picture and on the right side.

NO CONUNDRUMS ALLOWED

We should be on guard not to let the British find escape through our controversies or through dilemmas constructed with legendary election difficulties and responsibility conundrums. As for our own doubts and difficulties, let us remember that it is only a Government for an interim period and that the Cripps' declaration of Independence for the future is intact. We cannot get beyond that as far as declarations are concerned and there is no machinery that can be devised to avoid mental reservations except taking people at their word."

ABDUL LATIF ON "C. R.'s" PLAN

"Any attempt to bring into force any provision of the Federal part of the Government of India Act of 1935, particularly a vital provision such as the formation of a Legislature to which the Executive Council would be responsible might be construed, especially when viewed in the light of all its implications, as prejudging and even side-tracking the issue of Pakistan on which the Muslim League has pinned all its faith", observed Dr. Syed Abdul Latif of Hyderabad in a statement.

Dr. Latif says: "Mr. C. Rajagopalachari has made another earnest attempt to end the existing deadlock. He is confident that his plan this time would meet with the approval of the Congress, the League and the British Government. His aim is to establish a National Government without insisting on an immediate declaration of India's right for independence as the Congress wants or a simultaneous declaration of the Muslim right for self-determination as desired by the Muslim League. But he makes his proposed National Government responsible to the Legislature to be newly formed in accordance with the provisions in this behalf of the Federal Part of the Act of 1935. Such a plan might likely appeal to the Congress. It might indeed be taken by them as "independence in action", but I am doubtful whether the British Government or the Muslim League would easily agree to the proposal.

NOT AGREEABLE TO BRITAIN?

The events of the last few months have clearly shown that the British Government is not willing to concede, during the duration of the war, anything substantially different from what has been offered through the Cripps' plan. They might, under pressure, agree to fully Indianise the Viceroy's Executive Council without prejudice to the conduct of war operations by the Commander-in-Chief, or to Allied strategy. They might also agree to the Defence Member possessing powers more or less similar to those enjoyed by Defence Members in Australia and Canada. They might even let the Executive Council function as a Cabinet. But to let a war-time Executive Council be responsible to the Legislature instead of to the Viceroy or the Crown as at present might not be agreeable to the British Government in their present mood.

WANTED GUARANTEES

As for the Muslim League, Mr. Rajagopalachari knows that the Federal part of the Act of 1935 is anathema to that body.

The offer to the League to nominate the Council might be a tempting offer, but, it will not likely reconcile the League to the thought of the Federal part of the Act of 1935 operating in any form without categorical assurance from the British Government on the one hand and from the Congress on the other, to the effect that the proposed arrangement will not in the least affect the Muslim right for self-determination, when an independent constitution for India will be framed. This apart, the League might insist on their proportion in the Executive Council to be reflected in the Legislature, if the Executive Council is to be responsible to it.

These are some of the complications which I anticipate if Mr. Rajagopalachari's plan is pressed for acceptance in its present form. I would suggest for his earnest consideration whether it would not serve the purpose in view if the question of making the Central Executive responsible to the Legislature is dropped out of his scheme and his whole attention concentrated on having the Cripps' plan altered, with the concurrence of the Congress and the League, so as to convert the Viceroy's Executive Council in practice into a stable Cabinet possessing reality of power and composed of men enjoying the confidence of the leading political parties in the land.—A.P.

JINNAH MUST SUPPORT "C. R."

CALCUTTA, October 26.

Khan Bahadur S. M. Jan, M.L.C., has issued a statement in the course of which he says:—

"I hope that even at this late hour, it is not too much to expect Mr. Jinnah will agree with Mr. C. Rajagopalachari in his new formula and will show his desire to join the National Government not by keeping silence but actually by proclaiming to the whole world that he was prepared to shoulder the responsibility and Mussalmans were not a stumbling block to the progress of the country, but it was the British Government which refused to trust Indians and entrust them with real responsibility to fight aggression from the East and the West successfully along with the United Nations."—United Press.

HYDERABAD, (Dn): Kavi Sammelan organised by the local Hindi Sikshana Pracharak Mandal, commenced its deliberations yesterday under the presidency of Pt. Bansidherji, Professor, Osmania University. A large gathering of Hindi scholars and poets including the Raja of Aundh, were present. The President in the course of his address remarked that both Hindi and Urdu were like twins each of them having great affinity for the other.—Orient Press.

INDIAN MEMBERS RESENT IT

Viceroy To Be Confronted With Amery's Statement On Council Personnel

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26.

Consultations among Indian members of the Government are reported to be still going on. A correction issued by Reuter's also the text of Mr. Amery's reply later issued to the Press—has not materially improved matters. Mr. Amery's statement is that there is no question of "present European members being retained merely for the reason suggested by the Hon. Member".

According to political observers the sting still remains there. If "merely" has any meaning, Mr. Amery's statement can't be said to exclude the implication that want of suitable Indians may be one reason though not the main reason. In order to make the position clear, Mr. Amery may be requested to make a further statement in the Commons for if Mr. Amery did not mean to suggest that suitable Indians were not available, he should say so plainly. This, however, raises the question why if suitable Indians are available these posts are still retained in European hands.

It is certain that the matter will be taken up by the Indian members with the Viceroy as soon as the latter returns.

BRITISH PILOTS BOMB MILAN WITH GUSTO

Struck More By Grandeur Of Alps Than Devastation Below

LONDON, Oct. 26.

Reuter's air correspondent at a bomber airfield airmen who bombed Milan were more inclined to talk of the grandeur of the Alps than the bombs they dropped. When I asked them today about their 13,000 mile round trip across enemy and enemy-occupied territory, they said the scenery was "really lovely."

The Alps had made a great impression on some of them for only the night before some had seen them on the Genoa raid. The only other topic I could get them to talk about was the Italian anti-aircraft fire.

"Wops can't fire," they said, "their flak is weak. They have got plenty of it, but don't know how to use it." Three planes were the only losses.

One told me that he saw 4,000 pound bombs drop neatly at the dead centre on the target.

Another saw his hit a large factory building which crumbled. Then they turned for home.

The sun was setting blood red on the snow capped peaks of the Alps," observed one. "So it was a good trip?" I asked "It was a wizard. Why the Air Ministry pays us for a job like that I don't know. We should pay them. It was a privilege."—Reuter.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Replying to Mr. H. A. H. Payne on behalf of the Solicitors, Mr. Justice Blackwell stated that he had married a lady who was the daughter, the grand-daughter and the great-grand-daughter of a Solicitor and tha the had, therefore, embraced, both branches of the profession! (Laughter).

—Press Report.

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Addressing a Muslim Students' Conference at Agra, Mr. Jinnah, says a press report, "warned them not to imitate western methods blindly."

But with eyes open?

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Apropos of Sjt. C. Rajagopalachari's recent "offer", the "Daily Herald" of London says: "Well, here is a move made by a very important Indian. What are we going to do about it."

Probably wonder whether he should not be effectively dealt with as a grave threat to the "Defence of India."

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The Japanese report that Hong Kong was raided on Sunday by eight planes.

Hullo, Allied air strength in China seems to be increasing in tremendous progression.

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From one Cairo report it appears that a total of about 500,000 troops is involved in the fighting in North Africa.

In Russia, however, the total is slightly higher, about 5 million.

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A German spokesman is reported to have stated the other day that a "mud war" has now begun in Stalingrad.

That certainly ought to suit the Nazis. What could we more congenial to them than to wallow in mud?

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Professor Haldane insists that "Hitler has large reserves of poison gas."

This is not unlikely. During the last year or so he has made comparatively few speeches.

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In the latest air operations in the Solomons, Allied aircraft have damaged five warships and three merchantmen and destroyed over twenty Jap planes.

The landings, however, continue.

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"Yes," said the enthusiastic motorist, "she'll do eighty-five."

"Per hour, per gallon, or perhaps?" inquired the wag.

FROM SECRET RADIO STATIONS

By Dr. Listener

FROM GERMANY: Behind or against? Both Ribbentropp and Hitler said in their last speeches that 450 million people were standing behind the Fuhrer as one man. That is true. They stand behind him and are waiting impatiently for an early opportunity to stab him in the back from—behind.

FROM GERMANY: "Proper praise stinks" that is a old German proverb. If this proverb is true (all proverbs are true) then are all German radio news terribly stinking. There is not one sentence without such a proper praise. "We have the best army, the best generals, the best culture, the best books, the best inventors, the richest food, the most admirers, the best machines, fliers, tanks, all is by us the best". "Only this one truth they do not say that they have the best and biggest liars. On the other side all that they have best their enemy does not possess. They have no food, no fliers, no aeroplanes, no ships, no tanks, no strategists, no soldiers, they have nothing and it is only an incomprehensible question, why and for what reason they are still fighting instead of capitulating to Hitler.

FROM GERMANY: "I am ready to sacrifice two million German soldiers"—said Herr Hitler—"but I must achieve my purpose". He sacrificed already three times as many soldiers and six times as many families and relations and will still sacrifice twenty times as many soldiers and their relations and will not achieve his aim—and what will be then? The New Order?

FROM NEW YORK: Punishment for war-criminals, is now the main-theme in all official and non-official speeches and the main question is, how to punish them. There is in no criminal-code an adequate punishment for such monstrous criminals and the highest penalty, the death penalty, is too mild for so many cruelties and is rather a reward and not a punishment when a criminal who murdered thousands of women, old men and children suffered only a simple death-penalty, comparatively slight and too human for such beasts. Therefore, there is an overwhelming opinion in many legal circles that in all countries the criminal code must be made more severe for these criminals and in addition the present penalties must be replaced by other more adequate ones, especially taken from the criminal code of the middle ages, if the Nazi criminals committed their deeds in a manner which would be a shame even for the middle ages. A witty lawyer in New York said: "Best, let the Jews or the Poles find an adequate penalty for their friends and liberators".

ARRESTS AND CONVICTIONS

Eleven Arrested At Poona

POONA, Oct. 26.

In all eleven persons were rounded up by the police for taking out a procession in the city last night.—A. P.

CONGRESSMAN RELEASED ON PAROLE

Keshavlal Virchand Shah, a Congress worker of Sholapur who was detained under D. I. R. has been released on parole for a period of two weeks to enable him to attend to his ailing father. —A. P.

UNEXPLODED BOMB FOUND IN SCHOOL

BELGAUM, Oct. 26.

An unexploded bomb was found in the Chintamanrao High School Building at Shahapur near Belgaum.—A. P.

Incendiarism At Maharaja's College

MYSORE, Oct. 26.

An act of incendiarism has been reported in the Maharajah's College, Mysore. Attempts had been made to set fire to the Principal's room during the early hours of this morning, which were discovered before much damage was done. The main door of the room was charred while the fly-door was completely burnt. Some combustibles were found by the police. Police pickets are now guarding the institution.—A. P.

FIVE ARRESTS AT BANGALORE

BANGALORE, Oct. 26.

Five persons, including four students, were arrested on charge of addressing a gathering of students in defiance of the District Magistrate's order to-day.—A. P.

R. A. F. OFFICER'S MURDER ECHO

BHAGALPUR, Oct. 26.

One person has been arrested in connection with the murder, in August last, of an R. A. F. Officer. The arrest has been made under orders from the Additional D. I. G. and Superintendent of Police, Bhagalpur.

One person of the village of Saidpur has been arrested in connection with looting and burning records of the police station Khasmahal office at Gopalpur.

Following the arrest of Ganeshi Beldar on suspicion in connection with the snatching of rifles from the Range Reserve in August last, one rifle has been recovered. It is learnt that six more rifles are still missing.—United Press.

Picketers Arrested And Convicted

KARACHI, Oct. 26.

Five picketers including three women arrested at the residence of Rao Saheb Gokaldas were convicted and fined Rs. 40 each with option of two months' imprisonment.

Picketing at the residence of the Hindu Ministers was resumed this evening. A batch of four picketers was arrested at the residence of Doctor Hemandas, bringing the total number of arrests to twelve. A batch of six women volunteers was arrested but later on released.—A. P.

PROF. MALKANI AND DR. WATANMAL ARRESTED

KARACHI, Oct. 26.

Three more arrests were made this evening, including that of Prof. Dr. Malkani organiser of the Harijan upliftment movement and a worker of the All-India Spinners' Association and Dr Watanmal. Dr. Watanmal was ordered yesterday under the Defence Rules to leave Karachi by the first available train for Mirpurkhas and confine himself within the municipal limits. As he did not leave Karachi he was taken into custody this evening.—A. P.

ARRESTED FOR CONGRESS BULLETINS

KARACHI, Oct. 26.

Mr. Mansingh, Manager of the "Hindu", a Congress daily which suspended publication recently, was arrested along with another under Rule 129 of D. I. R. this evening. The arrests are understood to have been made in connection with the issuing of Congress bulletins.—A. P.

Attempt To Set Fire To Municipal School

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 26.

An attempt was made to set fire to a municipal school. The fire was put out by the police. The furniture of another school is reported to have been damaged.—A. P.

PAVING WAY FOR HINDU-MUSLIM UNITY

KARACHI, Oct. 26.

It is understood that talks were initiated and have been going on for the last two days to bring about an understanding between the League Ministerial party and the Hindu Independent party on the basis of "forgetting the past and tackling the future as two organised parties meeting on common ground and pulling together as a team."

The talks are said to have established agreement on the desirability of such a settlement not only in the interest of the province, but as the beginning of a larger understanding in the All India sphere. The snag however appears to be the position of the two Hindu Ministers whom the League Ministerial Party is not prepared in any circumstances to give away.—A. P.

CONGRESS M. L. As WON'T ATTEND

CALCUTTA, Oct. 26.

Mr. S. R. Dutt, Secretary of the Assam Assembly Congress Party, told the "United Press" that the Congress members of the Assam Assembly would not attend the forthcoming session of the Assembly.

Mr. Dutt is here for treatment.—United Press.

VICEROY AT QUETTA

QUETTA, Oct. 26.

H. E. Lord Linlithgow visited the combined Indian Military Hospital this morning when His Excellency inspected various wards and was greatly impressed with efficient arrangements.

In the afternoon a reception party in the Quetta Residency was held by Sir Aubrey Metcalfe A. G. G., Baluchistan, in honour of the Viceroy. The Khan of Kalat was present.—A. P.

BRITISH OCCUPY AMBOHIMAHASO

VICHY, October 26.

The Minister of Colonies announces that British troops have occupied Ambohimahaso, 175 miles south of Antanarivo, the capital in Madagascar on Sunday.—Reuter.

EIGHTEEN MORE CZECHS EXECUTED

FROM GERMAN FRONTIER, October 26.

The execution of eighteen more Czechs was reported from Prague to-day. Eight men, between ages of 24 and 45 were charged with 'Black Market' offences, four with alleged crimes during blackout and five with high treason by espionage in favour of the enemy. A 20-year old youth was charged with possessing arms and ammunition and running a secret radio transmitter.—Reuter.

Darlan's Address To French Officers

VICHY, Oct. 26.

Admiral Darlan addressing a meeting of French Officers at Casablanca yesterday said "The army must be an element of union for all those—native or French—who live on the soil of Africa under the French Flag." To-day Admiral Darlan will leave by air for Fez accompanied by the Resident-General of French Morocco, General Nogues.—Reuter.

12 Killed In U. S. Plane Crash

PALM SPRINGS (California) October 24.

Twelve persons aboard an American air line plane were killed, when it crashed and burst into flames last night (Friday) on Mount Jacinto.

It is announced that the crash was due to collision with an army plane which was also wrecked.—Reuter

SHED BURNT TO ASHES

DACCA Oct. 26.

A shed near the Nawabpur railway crossing was burnt to ashes on the 23rd October.—United Press.

RELEASED ON PAROLE

SURAT, Oct. 26.

Miss Indumati Verajiwala who was undergoing imprisonment has been released on parole for fifteen days to attend on her ailing mother.—A. P.

Air Battles In W. Desert

(Continued from Page 1)

well in and they will take some dislodging.

For many hours last night, Alexandria was lit by fitful flash of bombs and shells from the battlefront. The light of explosions was reflected from the clouds and shed a strange radiance over the city during the afternoon, and at night the noise of the battle could be heard in the distance."

BITTER FIGHTING PROGRESSING

Reuter's correspondent writes:—"Bitter fighting is raging to-night in Egypt's "bottle neck" between El Alamein and the Qattara Depression as units of the Eighth Army continue their battering of Rommel's steel wall of closely packed minefields, cunningly concealed artillery and anti-tank obstacles.

Handpicked Allied forces of toughened desert fighters—including British, Australians, South Africans, Indians and fighting French—have already smashed gaps in the main enemy positions at some points.

Their gains have been held in the face of all the fury the Axis can muster.

News of fresh armoured battles with steel clad monsters ranging to and fro across the rockstrewn plateau may come any time once the minefields have been successfully overcome.

The Eighth Army is fighting with its morale "right upon the top line." R. A. F. pilots who flew over the front line report the front aflame with bursting shells and tracers and blazing vehicles from the sea coast to the Qattara Depression."

The artillery fire, observers said, was comparable to the barrages which preceded infantry attacks of the last war.

ENEMY TAKEN BY SURPRISE

Reuter's special correspondent on the Western Desert front in Egypt writes: "The weight of Allied infantry assault with tank units attached to each division took the enemy by surprise. The Allied air offensive seems to have neutralised the enemy's fighter force except for defence.

The Eighth Army shells have been screaming down on the Axis without stop.

The hammering of enemy targets further in the rear is continuing day and night.

American Press Reaction

NEW YORK: The Eighth Army's offensive in Egypt shares prominence in to-day's New York papers with the repulse of the new Japanese attack in the Solomons.

The general tone of comment on the Eighth Army's onslaught is one of enthusiasm over what is widely referred to as an "all-out offensive."

The "New York Times" in a leading article says "What is most impressive of all in the accounts of the fighting in Egypt is the ever increasing Anglo-American mastery of the air there". The newspaper says that in some respects "even more dramatic" than the British success in Egypt are the R. A. F. raids on Italian cities. These raids are regarded as practice for future British raids on cities deep in Germany.

The "Washington Post" regards as one of the most outstanding characteristics of the new offensive in Egypt the Allied disposition to co-ordinate efforts by air, land and sea.—Reuter.

Eighth Army's Air Power

(From Reuter's special correspondent at the El Alamein front—delayed)— Rommel's bombers, kept virtually out of the skies by our flew over the front during Saturday night and dropped several loads of bombs close behind the Eighth Army's lines in their first attempt to interrupt its communication. Little damage was done.

At first light yesterday, a couple of Axis fighter-bombers crossed the skyline. They were greeted by unexpectedly heavy anti-aircraft opposition and shot off back to their bombspattered forward landing-ground after dropping their bombs harmlessly

It is too early yet to be certain that the Eighth Army's air power now has completely grounded the Luftwaffe and "Regia Aeronautica" but it has clearly outclassed them at a very vital time.—Reuter.

KOREAN PRESIDENT URGES DELEGATES TO SECURE INTERNAL UNITY

CHUNGKING, Oct. 25.

Korean Provisional Parliament was convened to-day. Twenty-three delegates from the ten electoral districts were present to hear the speech by Mr. Kingchu, their President urging them to "Achieve internal unity in order to secure recognition by the powers."—Reuter.

HOW TO GET KHADI

Jerajani's Plea For Spinning

Mr. Vithaldas V. Jerajani, acting President of the All-India Spinners' Association writes:—

To-day, when in the history of the Khadi movement, the production and sale of Khadi have reached large and growing dimensions, we are unfortunately faced with the problem of how to get Khadi.

Mill-made cloth sells, now, at prices which are nearly four times of what they were in normal times. For this reason, Khadi cloth is, at present, cheaper than mill-made cloth. This is one reason why demand for Khadi is very great.

Crowds are found to throng at Khadi Bhandars day after day. Customers ask us as to why the Bhandars should not be able to supply khadi when growing numbers wish to take to its use.

WHY IS KHADI NOT AVAILABLE.

The All-India Spinners' Association has at its disposal capital to the extent of Rs. 50 Lakhs for Khadi work. All this has been invested almost to the very last pie, for financing Khadi production and sale; and arrangements were under contemplation for raising larger funds to extend work during this year.

It was proposed to collect Rs. 10 Lakhs by way of donations from all over India during the Gandhi Jayanti. Arrangements were made, moreover, for workers to undertake the extension of Khadi production from province to province. While these plans were taking shape, there came the arrests of national leaders on the 9th August. On that very day arose the first occasion for interference in the work of Khadi by the authorities, in the Province of Behar. These conflicts have grown from day to day, and in some of the leading provinces, from the point of view of production, work has come to a stand-still. In certain provinces, Government have confiscated stocks of Khadi. In a few cases, stocks have been burnt and in others even looted. It is estimated that, in this way, Khadi worth nearly Rs. 14 lakhs has been rendered unavailable.

Owing to disturbed conditions prevailing in the country, the work of production of Khadi has become difficult. It is estimated that activity in provinces which were responsible for the production of Khadi of the value of Rs. 40 lakhs has been disorganised. It is a question when this state of disorganisation will end and when the normal activity will be resumed. Hence it has become well-nigh impossible to purchase Khadi and to supply it in sufficient quantity to habitual wearers of Khadi.

WHAT SHALL THOSE PLEDGED TO USE KHADI DO?

Numbers of persons have pledged themselves for the past many years to use only Khadi cloth. How to adhere to their pledge, has become a problem for many who have taken such a pledge.

Mahatma Gandhiji has repeatedly given the warning and advice that everyone should spin enough for his or her own use. The emphasis that Gandhiji has laid on self-spinning is amply justified by present events.

Instead of depending on slivers purchased ready-made, everyone should arrange to make his own slivers. It is not necessary according to new arrangements for each person to have carding machines and other implements. By the process of 'Tunayi'—that is combing of cotton—by hand—it is possible for any individual to prepare slivers direct from cotton, for personal requirements.

This process of Tunayi (hand-combing) can be learnt at any Khadi Bhandars in Bombay. Arrangements have been made to give instructions in this process at the Kalbadevi Khadi Bhandar. This course of instruction is already being availed of by numerous persons.

It is not possible to provide slivers to lakhs of spinners. Hence, if those pledged to the use of Khadi wish to fulfil their pledge faithfully, it is necessary that they should get instructions in preparing slivers by the process of tunayi (hand-combing) and thus equip themselves properly for the task of spinning regularly.

It is necessary that those who have Khadi cloth in stock, should use it in an economical manner. Those pledged to use Khadi can fulfil their pledge only if they spin regularly for their own use.

Karachi Produce Market

KARACHI, Oct. 26

To-day's closing quotations:—

Cottonseed January 25/13; Punjab 25/15, Desi American 4 F; January 39/4; firm.

Toria November 58/3; March 59/11.

Cottonseed January 38/3/6; firm.

Silver, Mint 104/4; Sovereign 43/12; steady.

Wheat 48; Bajra 44/8; Juwar 45/8.

Gram 70; Rice boiled 68.

RELIEF TO JUTE GROWERS

CALCUTTA, Oct. 26.

The Bengal Government have decided to release one crore of rupees for loans to the jute growers in mofussil with a view to relieve the "acute distress that is prevailing for some time past in consequence of low price of jute with extraordinarily high price of rice."

Can This Be True?

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

That some American Authorities are offering:

(1) To Mr. Amery, the Governorship of the New Alaska Colony?

(2) To Lord Linlithgow, Managing Directorship of their Agriculture and Farming Corporation?

(3) To Sir Reginald Maxwell, the Administrator-Generalship of the Negro Protectorate?

(4) To Sir Phiroze Khan Noon, the Directorship of the American Observatory, that is looking for the man in the Moon?

(5) To Sir Mahomed Usman, the Governorship of the Bank of Goodwill in Goldland?

(6) To Mr. Knight (Bombay), the Presidentship of the Pensioners' Society of New York? And

(7) To Sir Stanley Reed, the Presidentship of the Anglo-American Broadcasting Corporation?

Verily, India will ever be willing to give them a hearty send-off!

MAYOR'S INDIAN EVACUEES' (OVERSEAS) RELIEF COMMITTEE

BOMBAY, Monday.

A public meeting of the evacuees of Burma who are in Kathiawar at present was arranged at Rajkot with a view to render all possible help to the evacuees. It was decided to form a Committee called the 'Kathiawar Indian Evacuees' (Overseas) Relief Committee. The following persons were elected office-bearers:—Sjt. Narbheram A. Kothri, President, Messrs. Bechharlal K. Jasani and Habib Yacoob Ganny, Vice-Presidents, Mr. Harjivan Desai, Treasurer, Messrs. Jethalal Shukal, Bar-at-Law, and C. M. Alibhoy, Hon Joint Secretaries, Sjts. C. J Sanghani, M. N. Parekh, A. K. E. Whewaria, S. N. Thakkar and A. J. Mehta were elected to serve on the Committee.

Evacuees are requested to write or approach the Committee at 'Rughath Building', Lakhaji Raj Road, Post Box 72, Rajkot.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Oct. 26.

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 9/32 Two Months.
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Three Months.
Banks buying 90 Days/St 1/6 5/16 Four Months.
B C Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32
LONDON/NEW YORK—
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs 326 1/2
LONDON/MONTREAL—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs 294 3/4
LONDON/BERNE—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2
LONDON/STOCKHOLM—
Banks selling T T K 123 D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128
MEXICO/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Rs 57.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs 63.04 D D Rs 62.04
LISBON/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom D D Esc 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 D D Esc 7.55
AUSTRALIA/LONDON—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T — D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.
Gold £8-8-0 Ready
New York Silver 44 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call and 1 to 3 months not quoting
4 to 6 months 1/4 per cent.
7 to 12 months 1/2 per cent
Tone:—Very Easy

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Oct. 26.

The local market was officially open today but no business was done in the trading ring. However fair business was reported done privately at approximate quotations given below:—

Tata Steel Dfds.	1660
Century Mills	635
Bombay Dyeing	1625
New Great	372
Simplex	170

CHEQUES CLEARED

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 23-10-1942 were as under:—

Number of cheques—1,24,822

Amount of cheques—23,55,81,522-15-1

Muslim Protest Against Collective Fines

MADRAS, Oct. 26.

The attention of the Madras Government has been drawn by the Madras Provincial Muslim League to collective fines imposed on Muslims; the following memorandum has been submitted:—

"Muslims as a whole have kept aloof from the civil disobedience movement and other distrubances in the country and it has been the evident policy of the Government to exempt Muslims from the imposition of collective fines. The Muslims are scrupulously keeping themselves aloof but we are surprised to learn from the Primary Muslim League, Mannargudi and Kohtanallur, (Tanjore Dist.) that collective fines have been imposed upon Muslim citizens of these places and that they have been asked to pay the fines on the basis of properties owned by them. We submit that this is unjust and contrary to the declared policy of the government".

The government have promised to give sympathetic consideration to this memorandum and have invited reports from the District Collector for passing necessary orders.—Orient Press.

Hurs Kill Zamindar

KARACHI, Oct. 26.

A Zamindar by name Musa Rind of village Chakar near Shikarpur is reported to have been killed by Hurs. It is stated that three Hurs armed with guns entered the village and fired shots at Musa Rind's house. Rind sustained wounds to which he succumbed in hospital. The Hurs carried away some of Rind's property.—A. P.

Two Killed In Fracas: Girl Burnt To Death

MADRAS, Oct. 26.

Two were killed in a fracas that occurred in Tiruvattiyur Kuppam a village near Madras last night. It is reported a quarrel arose due to ill-feeling among the villagers in the course of which one fisherman was stabbed to death and some huts set fire to. A young girl inside one of the burning huts was burnt to death. Fire engines were rushed from Madras and the fire was extinguished. Three persons who were seriously injured have been admitted to hospital.—A. P.

Japs In U. S. Arrested

HOUSTON (Texas), Oct. 26.

Virtually every Japanese alien still at liberty in the vital Houston Galveston industrial area was arrested in a swift systematic roundup by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Sixty-six places were searched and 52 persons were arrested. The roundup is still progressing.—Reuter.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Oct. 26.

The local cotton market was officially open to-day but no forward business was reported to have been done in the trading ring.

The increase of Rs. 40 in the clearing rate created a small surprise in the market. The rate fixed now is Rs. 354 for Jarila January while nominal quotation today is Rs. 385 which shows a further rise of Rs. 30 per candy. Thus those who are short will have to pay losses. The market feeling is excited to some extent and there is considerable nervous covering. The cloth market is keeping firm and there exists good demand for long staple cotton at present. However the new crop will begin to move now. The closing down of Ahmedabad Mills is having firm effect on the cloth market but at the same time it cannot be overlooked that the consumption of cotton will decrease moreover present cloth prices being too high are bound to reduce civil demand. The market outlook at the moment is uncertain but the long range outlook does not favour undue optimistic feeling.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Oct. 26.

The local market was fairly steady today with moderate demand. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 106 and forward quotation was Rs. 103/4. Ready gold changed hands at Rs. 60. It appears that although the market tone is steady but buyers are cautious as higher prices are increasing selling pressure.

Central Bank Of India, Ltd.

Following is the Statement of Liabilities and Assets of the Central Bank of India, Limited, for the fortnight dated 15th October:—

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital Subscribed	Rs. 3,36,00,000
Capital Paid-up	1,68,00,000
Reserve & Contingency Fund	1,01,00,000
Deposits, Debts due to Banks and Agents, Bills Payable, etc.	55 44,60,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments	7,21,50,000
	Rs. 66,35,20,000

ASSETS	Rs.
Cash Credits & Overdrafts on Government and other Authorised Securities	5,98,75,000
Loans on Government & Other Authorised Securities	3,48,43,000
Bills Discounted	1,61,88,000
Lands & Buildings	1,10,99,000
Sundries including Branch Adjustments	5,74,99,000
Cash in hand at Banks, Moneys at Call and Investments in War Bonds, Government Paper, Treasury Bills, Shares, Debentures, etc.	47,40,16,000
	Rs. 66,35,20,000

3½ PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London, Oct. 26

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £100 5/8

AUSTRALIAN LOAN

5 per cent Commonwealth £101 1/16

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent British Consols £82 3/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £107 5/16
3 per cent Conversion Loan £100 3/8
4 per cent Funding Loan £114 5/16
3 1/2 per cent War Loan mutilated
3 per cent War Loan £101 7/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds £114 11/16

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 19-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 38-9
Electric Music Industry 17-7 1/2
Princhin Johnson 27-6
Imperial Chemical 35-7 1/2
Woolsworth Ordinary 56-9
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates £79 1/2
Dunlop Rubber 32-9
Unilever Ordinary 30-6
Ford Motors 30-0
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £69 3/4
British American Tobacco Ordy £4 15/32
Carreras 'A' £6 1/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £6 29/32
P and O Defd 34-6
Distillers 81-0
Bradford Dyers 14-9
British Celanese 14-3
J and P Coates 41-6
Courtaulds Ordinary 41-4 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners 16-0
Vickers Limited Ordinary 18-0
Inter Nickels dol 46-1 1/2
Indian Iron 48-9

TEA SHARES

Assam 17-3
Donaro Tea 30-7 1/2
Empire of India 18-6

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RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber 11-6
Gula Kelampong 8-0
Rubber Plant 18-6

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 17-6
Burma Corporation 4-7 1/2
Rio Tintos £8
East Rand Properties £1 27/32
Rand Mines £7 1/8

MINE SHARES

Crown £9 1/4
Associated Portland Cement 56-0
Trinidad Leasehold 73-1 1/2
Sub-Nigel £6 1/8
Spring Mines Split Shares £0 15/16
Union Corporation 142-6

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 38-10 1/2
Anglo-India 55-7 1/2
Burma Oil £2 9/32
Mexican Eagle 12-1 1/2
Shell Transport £3 1/12
Royal Dutch £22 1/4

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £54
London Midland Ordinary £25
London North Eastern Defd £3 5/8
London Southern Defd £21 5/8
London Transport 5 per cent £125 1/2
London Transport 'C' £54 3/4

Latest Commercial

COTTON

MARCH

New York, Oct. 26

Previous closing	18.37
To-day's opening	18.39
Difference	+02
To-day's closing See Stop Press.	

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Oct. 26

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	not received

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Oct. 26

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, Oct. 26

SEEDS

Castorseeds Bombay October/November (£23 1/2 quoted) £28 1/2 quoted
Linseed Calcutta October/November (£22 1/2 quoted) £22 1/2 quoted
Linseed La Plata October/November unquoted.
Groundnuts Coromandal October/November East Coast Indian shipment (£24 1/2 quoted) £24 1/2 quoted. West Coast Indian shipment (£25 1/4). £25 1/4 quoted

LONDON METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD

London, Oct. 26

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, Oct. 26

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London, Oct. 26

London on Bombay (1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-6 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Oct. 26

The London Stock Exchange was mainly firm to-day.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, Oct. 26

The New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors (unquoted) dol 41 3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 27 3/8) dol 27 1/4
United States Steel Common (dol 49 3/8) dol 49 5/8
United States Steel Preference (dol 113) unquoted.

Position Of Scheduled Banks

Statement of the position of Scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 16th October:—

Demand Liabilities in India	321,02,47,000
Time Liabilities in India	102,15,17,000
Cash in India:	
(i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes	11,70,15,000
(ii) Rupee Coin	90,43,000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin	30,54,000
Balances with Reserve Bank	63,20,79,000
Advances in India	78,60,64,000
Bills discounted in India	1 79,07,000

"ALL-INDIA CONTROL" IN SUGAR INDUSTRY

CAWNPORE, Oct. 25.

Addressing the annual convention of sugar technologists, Mr. R. C. Srivastava justified sugar control and declared that it had proved beneficial to the industry in several respects. It provided an opportunity for the first time in the history of the sugar industry in this country for All-India Control. And if the present control proved successful it might lay the foundation for some scheme for an All-India Organisation of the sugar industry as a permanent feature in the future. The system of control, had also benefited the industry by putting a stop to the activities of speculative forward market which experience showed had not been always in the interest either of the manufacturer or the consumer.

Mr. Srivastava also welcomed Government's decision to terminate the international sugar agreement.—A. P.

LONDON, Oct. 26.

The Admiralty announces that His Majesty's trawler "Lord Stonehaven" has been lost.—Reuter.

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BUY? I DON'T WANNA BUY A HAT! I CAME IN HERE TO GET OUT OF THE RAIN!
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Special Judges To Try Sabotage Cases

Bombay Govt. Puts Into Operation Special Criminal Courts Ordinance

BOMBAY, October 26.

The Government of Bombay has brought into force the Special Criminal Courts Ordinance, 1942, and appointed Special Judges, in the first instance, for Thana, East Khandesh, West Khandesh, Belgaum, Dharwar, Bijapur and Kanara. Special Judges will be appointed for other Districts if and when necessary.

The Government intends to refer to the Special Judges important cases arising out of the recent disturbances such as sabotage of communications.—A. P.

In Gujarat

ARREST AND HARTAL IN SURAT

Some shops in the City continued to remain closed to-day as a protest against the arrest of essential commodity shop-keepers. Total number of persons rounded up yesterday was 28.—A. P.

CLOTH SHOPS OPEN

AHMEDBAD, Oct. 26.

A procession was taken out today, but it was dispersed by the police. Cloth shops in Ratan Pole opened to-day for the first time. Two persons were sentenced for taking out a procession to pay fine of Rs. 50 each; in default to suffer R.I. for six weeks. Fine was paid up in the court.

Two arrests were made to-day.

POLICE OPEN FIRE IN BARODA

Following the dispersal of a procession by the police by a Lathi charge, crowds threw stones at the police, says a report in the "Sandesh" from Baroda. Police thereupon fired four shots. The number of injured is not known.—A. P.

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In U. P.

UNIVERSITY TEACHER'S HOUSE SEARCHED

ALLAHBAD, Oct. 26.

Sardar Narmada Prasad Singh, President of the Allahabad District Congress Committee, who was arrested at the Sunta Railway Station, has been brought here for detention under section 129 of D.I.R.

One person has been arrested in Allahabad for detention.

A search was carried out yesterday at the residence of a University teacher. All classes of the Allahabad University were reopened to-day.—A. P.

ENGINEER'S OFFICE BURNT DOWN

DHUBRI, October 20.

The Executive Engineer's office has been burnt down by a fire and except some furniture and a few records nothing could be saved.

The office was situated in the heart of Dhubri town. The public and the police actively assisted in controlling the fire.—A. P.

INCOME-TAX OFFICE RECORDS BURNT

DUMKA (Santhal Parganas), October 25.

It is reported from Deoghar that the records of the Income-Tax Office, Santhal Parganas and Giridhi Circles, were burnt by some miscreants on the night of October 23. Armed with weapons it is stated they over-powered the night guard on duty, broke open the lock and entered the premises. On receipt of information the police hastened to the spot and extinguished the fire.—A. P.

BOYS FIGURE IN CASE OF DAMAGING CULVERTS

GORAKHPUR, October 26.

Two boys, aged eight and nine years respectively, figured as accused in a case in which it was alleged that some persons had instigated them to damage a culvert in Gorakhpur District. The Magistrate held that no case had been made out against the alleged instigators and discharged them.

Dealing with the case of the boys, the Magistrate remarked: "The damage to the bridge was very slight indeed. They appear to be too young to understand and realise the implications of the mischief committed by them. As such I am taking a lenient view. Instead of sentencing them immediately I order that they be released under Sec. 4 (1) of the U.P. First Offenders' Probation Act on their furnishing one surety of Rs. 250 each."—A. P.

ATTEMPTS TO BURN LETTERS

ALLAHABAD, October 26.

Charred letters collected from two different letter-boxes here show that perhaps attempts were made to burn letters some time yesterday.—A. P.

HATMA ARRESTS FOR ASSAULTING HAVILDAR

RANCHI, October 26.

A large number of persons of village Hatma, suburb of Ranchi, have been arrested by the local police for, it is alleged, severely assaulting a police Havildar.

It is reported on the night of the Dusserah Day villagers were dancing and beating drums and thereby creating disturbance to the neighbouring public. The Police Havildar went to the spot and asked them to stop the music wherefore the villagers got enraged and severely assaulted the Havildar with lathis. The Havildar fell down unconscious. Taking him to be dead, his uniforms were removed and burnt, and he was thrown naked in a ditch. The Havildar is undergoing treatment in the Sadar Hospital.—United Press.

In C. P.

THREE LOCAL BOARDS SUPERSEDED

NAGPUR, Oct. 26.

A "Gazette" Extraordinary announces supersession of the District Council of Narsingpur and the Local Boards of Narsingpur and Gatharwada under D.I.R. for a period of six months "as they are likely to employ or permit their officers, members and servants to act in furtherance of activities prejudicial to public safety and the maintenance of public order."—A. P.

In Bengal

RELEASED AFTER ARREST

DACCA, Oct. 26.

The police have arrested Narinath Mukerjee and six others from the Srbajanin Durga Puja Mandap of Faridabad under Section 54, Cr. P. C. where a national flag was hoisted. All of them were released after giving a personal security bond for Rs. 50 each.

A restriction order has been served on a Congress worker.

A teacher of the Kalma H. E. School in Munshiganj sub-division has been arrested under Section 151 Cr. P. C.

He was produced before the vacation Magistrate who enlarged him on a bail of Rs. 5,000/- yesterday.—A. P.

INTERNMENT IN CHITTAGONG

CHITTAGONG, Oct. 26.

Orders under the Defence of India Rules are reported to have been served upon Dr. Sachi Mohan Chowdhury, Moulvi Kabir Ibrahim of Raozan, Dr. Sarat Chandra Chowdhury, President of the Bariadala Union Board, and Mr. Kumadini Mazumdar, interning them within the compound of their respective houses.

A. I. S. A. SHOPS SEALED

The police raided last week the branch shops of the All-India Spinners' Association at Rangunia, police station Rangunia, Suchia, police station Patiya, Adhunagar, Dohasari, Mohira Hiken and Mahajanhat and took possession of all the stocks of trade found there. The police also sealed up all those shops.—United Press.

ARRESTS AND CONVICTIONS

BRAHMANBARIA, Oct. 26.

An ex-detenu of Nasirabad, police station Nabinagar has been arrested under Rule 129 of the Defence of India Rules and sent to Comilla Jail.

Mr. Santi Chakrabarty and Mr. Dinesh Chowdhury, Congress workers, have each been sentenced to nine months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 200 in default another six months' R. I. for their attempt to hold a public meeting on October 2 last at Brahmanbaria.

The police searched the spinning centres at Baghi and Gokarna police station, Nasirnagar and sealed up the offices.—United Press.

FIRE IN POST BOX AT CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Oct. 24.

Burning bamboo chips and a phial containing some liquid were found inside a letter-box attached to the Shambazar Post Office in Calcutta, which the demonstrators attempted to set fire on, to-day. The fire was extinguished by the staff of the Post Office but not before some contents of the post box had been destroyed.—A.P.

"HINDU-MUSLIM PROBLEM DOES NOT EXIST"

Indian Congressman In London Urges Immediate Freedom

LONDON, Oct. 26

Mr. A. Shah, a member of the Committee of Indian Congressmen in Britain denied to-day that there is Hindu-Moslem problem in India.

He was presiding at "an immediate Indian independence" meeting in London at which a resolution was unanimously passed appealing to the United Nations to see that "the sovereign status of India be immediately recognised and real power transferred to Indian people," and asking that a treaty of alliance be signed between them and the provisional Government of India.

"The whole of the Indian people are behind the Indian Congress," he said, "India will continue to fight for her independence without fear or favour. The Moslems have always supported the Congress demands for independence."

Mr. William Cove, Member of Parliament urged that India be given her independence while the war is on.—Reuter.

In Bihar

FINES PARTIALLY COLLECTED IN PATNA

PATNA, Oct. 26.

Out of a total collective fine of Rs. 308,500 imposed on the inhabitants of certain villages in Mokameh, Pindrak, Fatwah, Khusrupur, Hilsa, Islampur, Maner, Bikramo, Jaintipur and other areas in Patna District, a sum of Rs. 2,58,971/3/6 has so far been collected, states an official statement issued by the District Magistrate of Patna.—A. P.

In Frontier

21 RED SHIRTS ARRESTED

LAHORE, Oct. 26.

Twenty-one Red Shirts are reported to have been arrested at the city railway station on Saturday under Sections 147/448 I.P.C. on charges of rioting and trespass.—A. P.

In Delhi

OFFSHOOT OF DONKEY'S PROCESSION

NEW DELHI, Oct 26.

An offshot of the donkeys' procession case is a controversy now proceeding between the authorities of the cattle pound of the Delhi Municipality and the Delhi police about the former's claim for payment of the feeding charges for the eleven donkeys during the time they were in the pound pending disposal of the case. The police, it is learnt, argue that as the owner of the animals had received payment for hiring them he should bear the feeding charges, while the pound authorities contend that as the donkeys were detained under police orders, the police should pay.—A. P.

SEVEN ARRESTS

NOAKHALI, Oct. 24.

Seven Congress workers from different police stations in the Noakhali District were arrested under Section 129 of the Defence of India Rules and detained as security prisoners.

With a view to prevent acts of sabotage, local civic guards in Noakhali are now guarding telegraph lines passing through the municipal area.—A.P.

UNION BOARD OFFICERS ARRESTED FOR LOOTING

DACCA, October 26.

The serajdigha police has sent up the President of Madyapara Union Board and six others in connection with the looting and burning of some Union Board premises.—United Press.

Jinnah Anxious To Guard League's Prestige

His Likely Advice To Muslim Leaguers In Sind

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26.

"All's not over yet" is the opinion of the Muslim League circles over the Sind Ministerial imbroglio. Mr. Jinnah has not returned to New Delhi but it is significant that his paper "Dawn" has not commented yet on Sir G. H. Hidayatullah's eleventh hour action of joining the Muslim League. Mr. Jinnah is said to insist on two points:—

Firstly, the predominant position of the Muslim League as a major party in the Province;

Secondly, no association with a non-League Muslim in the Ministry. The mere fact that Sir G. H. Hidayatullah has now offered to join the League does not solve the problem entirely as Sir G. H. Hidayatullah's past relations with the Muslim League have to be taken into consideration—particularly disciplinary action taken by the League against him.

According to one report Mr. Jinnah will ask the Working Committee to consider his request to rejoin the Muslim League on its merits without reference to the Ministry question. Mr. Jinnah's position is said to be that the constitutional course for the Governor is to ask the Leader of the Muslim League Party to form the Ministry. He is against the League participation in any Coalition Ministry under a Non-League Premier or with non-League Muslims as colleagues.

As the position has been complicated by the fact that the League Provincial Party leaders have taken a decision contrary to Mr. Jinnah's advice and Sir G. H. Hidayatullah has now sought admission to the League, Mr. Jinnah is expected to place the whole matter before the League Working Committee. In the League circles it is anticipated that Mr. Jinnah may ask all the League Ministers to resign and to tell the Governor that he should summon the Leader of the League Party, who will then consult Mr. Jinnah. It is said Mr. Jinnah is anxious to avoid a situation created in Bengal by Mr. Fazlul Huq or allow the League to be exploited by Ministry makers. He insists that the first consideration should be maintenance of the League's authority and discipline.

Sapru To See Viceroy And Jinnah

NEW DELHI, Oct. 25.

It is understood that Sir T. B. Sapru while visiting Delhi will have interviews with the Viceroy and Mr. Jinnah in early November.

Mr. Allah Baksh is also arriving here to meet Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru.—Orient Press.

IT'S A CRIME TO BE A SERB

LONDON, Oct. 26.

According to information which has reached Yugoslav circles in London a new wave of terror against the Serbs has been initiated by the Germans and the Ustrashi Croats.

In September over 1,000 persons including women and children, whose only crime was that they were Serbs, were shot and 80 school boys were also executed. Of the 1905 male inhabitants of Milosevac, 600 were taken to Belgrade as hostages and it is stated the Germans have dug a huge grave near Belgrade and intend to shoot a large number of the most influential Serbs.—Reuter.

INFLUENCE OF ISLAMIC CULTURE

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Oct. 24.

"Wherever the influence of Islamic culture is felt it has been softening and civilising", said Sir Azizul Huque at a meeting held here recently. He was convinced, he said, if young listeners would take to the study of Arabic, money would be forthcoming.

Mr. Cordington who has recently returned from Afghanistan said, valuable Islamic and Arabic books are available in abundance in various parts in the Near Eastern countries like, Egypt, Iraq and Iran and strongly pleaded for the establishment of a Library.

JAPAN TO OPEN CONSULATES IN NORTH AFRICA

Berne: As a result of the recent meeting between the Japanese Ambassador in Berlin, Mr. Oshima and Laval in Paris, Japan has been permitted to open a dozen Consulates in North Africa-Morocco Algeria and Tunisia. Though the reason for this move is obscure—as Japan cannot have any trade relations with French Africa at present as she has no sea contact—it is stated that the consulates are meant for espionage purposes and quiet penetration as Madagascar is now barred to Japan.—India Press Service.

STOCKHOLM: A bulletin broadcast by the Danish radio shortly before Monday noon said "King Christian passed a quieter morning. He had some sleep."

The Half-Column By "Dim"

The number 8 seems to be playing an important part in the fate of the Allies. It was the Eigth Route Army, which made history in the Far East and stood between the conqueror and the 500 millions of China. Now it is the Eighth Army in Egypt that has been entrusted with an Allied offensive on a large scale. I do not know if this can be called a Second Front, but if the move does succeed, it may be the turning point of this war, for psychologically its effect on the Axis will be shattering.

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Babs Talyarkhan, Mary Lumley and Mr. R. K. "Blitz" Karanjia are some of those working for TO-NITE AT EIGHT—the show for Indian soldiers to be held on Thursday November 19. As the Taj is not available for such shows any more, they have managed to get the night's lease of Government House. From the point of view of setting it is ideal and if my calculation is right, it should be a moonlight night. I feel this show should be well-supported because the cause is so deserving. Rumour says that Lady Farouq Shah, who came specially to present prizes last year (on the Night of the Sixth November) will again grace the function with her frail and delicate presence—Lady Farouq Shah is(of course, the well-known social worker!!

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"A Sufferer" writes to me: "You are aware that the War Publicity Committee has installed loud-speakers in certain parts of the City for propaganda purposes. I happen to live in the vicinity where such a loud speaker is installed, viz., just near Parekh Street, Girgaum. I do not for a moment wish to say anything against the propaganda but just imagine the plight of those who live in the neighbourhood when loud-speakers start shrieking in the early hours of the morning at about 7-30 a.m. (N.S.T.) when most of the people are still in bed. Particularly I would like to point out that if there are patients in some of the houses, this awful noise is dangerous to their health. I am speaking from personal experience. Last year, one of my relatives was very ill, who later on succumbed to the malady, and during this period I felt the nuisance very bitterly."

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